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Port Almanac—October 23.

Sun Rises	6.14 A M
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Day's Length	11 h 11 m
High Water at Southport	7.58 P M
High Water at Wilmington	9.01 P M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE. WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Oct 23.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 54°; 8 p. m., 58°; maximum, 66°; minimum, 53°; mean, 54°.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 3.93.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Oct. 21.—At 8 a. m., the stage of the water in the Cape Fear river was 2.1 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Fair, followed in western portion by local showers in the afternoon or night; southeasterly winds; warmer.

OUTLINES.

The firing on and seizure of the Dauntless and Mabey by the cruiser Raleigh caused indignation at Jacksonville, Fla., and their seizure is regarded as another case of catering to Spain on the part of the administration; neither vessel had arms on board. —— Marcus A. Smith, assistant attorney for Arizona, and a free silver Democratic candidate for Congress, has been removed from office. —— Populist Chairman Butler will issue a circular to the supporters of Mr. Bryan, warning them to be on their guard to watch and expose a game which the Republicans are contemplating in the Middle Western States. —— The Treasury gold reserve, at the close of business yesterday, stood at $121,047,568. —— Only seven States are represented in the National Flower Congress at Asheville; a ballot will be taken today for a national emblem. —— The Florida law making it criminal to teach whites and negroes together has been declared unconstitutional on account of a defect in the title of the bill; the defect can be remedied by the next Legislature. —— A conference will be held at Nashville, Tenn., between Tom Watson, Chairman Washburn and National Committeeman Reed for the purpose of settling the war against Sewall and fusion. —— The persons captured on the schooner Competitor are informed that they will be tried for piracy and rebellion by a court-martial; it is not believed in Havana that Gen. Lee had any notification of the trial, and that it is entirely illegal. —— Secretary of the Treasury Carlisle spoke in the interest of "sound money" Democracy at Covington, Ky.; the speaker was cheered and hissed. —— New York markets: Money on call was easier at 5@6 per cent., last loan at 5, closing offered at 5 per cent.; cotton quiet—middling gulf 8 3-16c; middling 7 15-16c; Southern flour was dull and easy—common to fair extra $3 65@3 25; good to choice $3 25@3 50; wheat—spot market dull and 4½@4¾c lower with options, closing weak—ungraded red 70@72c; corn dull and weaker—No. 3 29¾@30c at elevator and 30¾@31c afloat; spirits turpentine quiet at 29½@29½c; rosin firm; strained common to good $1 90.

A Glasgow, Scotland publishing house has published a microscopic bible, which is so small that three or four copies may be carried in the vest pocket.

Old man Vanderbilt said: "The people be d——d." Hanna doesn't say that, but he thinks it, for he expects to buy McKinley's election and thus get away with the people.

That Wisconsin Republican who eloped with $2,600 of Hanna's money entrusted to him, evidently doesn't care whether McKinley is elected or not, and will not come home to vote.

The Philadelphia *Record* remarks: "That Mr. William J. Bryan sought a position as 'press agent' for an itinerant travelling show is nothing against the man." No. But it is a lie all the same, as Mr. Bryan never sought such a position.

Mr. McKinley says this is not a partisan fight. No, it isn't. It is a fight in which all Americans who believe this country should not be run by English agents and home combines are on one side and the supporters of the combines on the other.

See the Dress Goods at 29c, worth 50 to 65c, per yard to-day at C. W. Polvogt & Co.—their Bargain Day. †

Latest novelties in $1 25 dress goods. 85 cents per yard at J. H. Rehder & Co.'s. †

To-day Bargain Day at C. W. Polvogt & Co. †

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Attention is called to the following REDUCED RATES of Subscription to THE MORNING STAR:

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The STAR will be delivered by carrier at any point in the city at 12 cents per week, or 45 cents per month.

The Washington *Post* commenting upon the point that Mr. Bryan makes when he asks how many gold dollars there are in the pockets of the people he is addressing, remarks that there is not as much in this against gold as a circulating money as there might seem to be, because there is not much metallic money of any kind in circulation, which it illustrates by the statement that out of something over 430,000,000 silver dollars, which have been coined since 1878, there are only 52,000,000 in circulation. But it is a good point all the same. There is, according to the gold men, more gold coin than silver in the country. Could they find $52,000,000 of gold in circulation. But in addition to these $52,000,000 in silver, there are $380,000,000 in silver certificates which are more convenient than the coined dollars. How many gold certificates are in circulation? It is the silver or the certificates which represent it, which meet the demands of the people.

Mr. Creelman, correspondent of the New York *World*, anti-Bryan paper, is authority for the statement that Hanna has sent a large sum of money into fourteen or fifteen counties in Virginia, which are classed as corruptible, and where it is thought his money will tell. This is one of the reasons why Virginia is put down in the gold estimates as a doubtful State.

Stanly Malosky, of Warren Run, near Wilkesbarre, Pa., is no slouch at trading. He recently traded a meerschaum pipe to Wm. Chobenski for Wm.'s wife, and then traded her off to another fellow for another meerschaum pipe and $3. We judge from this that the wife market must be like the wheat market up there, on the rise.

The Republican managers in the State of Washington have discovered a Frenchman who wants to buy $1,000,000 worth of land and to invest $25,000,000 if McKinley is elected. With a big patch of land like that to start off with this looks like a well grounded lie.

When the Republicans in the doubtful States show an inclination to grow glum Hanna issues some more estimates to cheer them up. In the latest he claims 302 electoral votes for McKinley, and has sent that out as a cheerer.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. B. COOPER—Cider.
HALL & PEARSALL—Canned goods.
OPERA HOUSE—Robinson's Opera Company.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. Wm. Ulrich is sick and confined to his room.

— Mr. Jeff D. Sessoms, of Stedman, is in the city.

— Mr. H. Butters, of Hub, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— Mr. Joe Meares, of New York city, is here on a visit to relatives.

— Mr. Fred Furpless has returned from visiting relatives at Southport.

— Mr. B. F. Murray, of Laurel Hill, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— Dr. E. Porter, of Rocky Point, was in the city yesterday on a business visit.

— Mr. J. C. Scarborough, of Charlotte, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— Mr. G. S. Bradshaw, of Asheboro, was among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

— Mr. Archibald Johnson, of the Baptist Orphanage, at Thomasville, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. C. B. Mallett, of Leighton, Ga., is in the city on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. Lee Holmes.

— Mr. Iredell Meares has returned from a trip through Eastern North Carolina, and reports the outlook very encouraging.

— Mr. W. J. Wallace, who has been sick for some time at Argyle, Ga., brother of Mr. Robt. W. Wallace, was reported yesterday as improving.

Silk Umbrellas, 98 cents; men's suits, $2.48; China Matting, 9 cents per yard, at J. H. Rehder & Co.'s. †

Three hundred pairs of Kid Gloves to-day at 95c a pair, at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s, their bargain day. †

Fruit of the Loom, yard wide Bleaching, 6½ cents per yard at J. H. Rehder & Co.'s. †

Friday Bargain Day at C. W. Polvogt & Co. †

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— Democrats of Wilmington, do your duty to-morrow. It is challenge day.

— The Wilmington Foot Ball team will meet for practice to-night at 8.15 o'clock, at the grounds on South Front street.

— The Clinton *Democrat* pays the STAR the compliment of reproducing, in double-column, our forecast of the vote for Governor.

— The Charlotte *Observer* copies the essential parts of the STAR'S forecast of the vote for Governor, and refers to it as "interesting, conservative and reasonable."

— A young man named Moss is running as a Populist candidate for Congress in the Second District when he knows that the only effect his candidacy can have is to help elect White, the gold-bug negro candidate.

— A correspondent of the STAR, writing from Newbern, Oct. 21st, says: "The STAR of yesterday and to-day is well worth reading. I have heard much favorable comment on your estimate of the vote for Governor. Your reports from the counties, too, are excellent reading."

— The Jacksonville *Times* asserts without qualification that Jerry Spicer, Republican-Pop. candidate for Sheriff of Onslow county, said in a speech delivered at Williams' Store, Oct. 16th, that "negroes are better than white men." This is probably true of white men like Spicer.

— A leading citizen of Caswell county, writing from Yanceyville, says: "Allow me to congratulate you on the noble work the STAR is doing for free silver." Yes, the STAR is honestly for Bryan and free silver, and it therefore supports the entire joint electoral ticket. The STAR is a Democratic paper.

— The STAR believes that the Democrats of this State are gaining at least a thousand votes a day. This is an average of about ten votes in each county, and is a most conservative estimate. Populists throughout the State, disgusted with the attempt to force them to vote for gold-bug Republicans for the Legislature, are coming over to the Democrats by hundreds.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—758 bales cotton, 8 casks spirits turpentine, 5 bbls rosin, 11 bbls tar, 4 bbls crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—1,992 bales cotton, 15 casks spirits turpentine, 74 bbls tar, 18 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central R. R.—218 bales cotton, 31 casks spirits turpentine, 377 bbls rosin, 98 bbls crude turpentine.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—430 bales cotton, 45 casks spirits turpentine, 50 bbls rosin, 15 bbls tar.

Steamer Frank Sessoms—96 bales cotton, 98 bbls rosin, 13 bbls tar, 4 bbls crude turpentine.

Steamer E. A. Hawes—5 bales cotton, 28 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 2,784 bales; spirits turpentine, 94 casks; rosin, 455 bbls; tar, 135 bbls; crude turpentine, 114 bbls.

L'Arioso German Club.

The annual meeting of L'Arioso German Club was held last Wednesday night in the parlors of The Orton, with Mr. W. H. Northrop, Jr., presiding, and Mr. W. M. Atkinson as the secretary.

The following officers were elected for the season:

President—W. H. Northrop, Jr.
Vice President—C. C. Chadbourn.
Secretary and Treasurer—W. M. Atkinson.
Governing Board—W. H. Northrop, Jr., C. C. Chadbourn, W. M. Atkinson, H. H. McIlhenny, R. H. Cowan, Owen F. Love, C. D. Myers.

SPEAKING IN BRUNSWICK.

Mr. Iredell Meares, of Wilmington, will address the citizens of Brunswick on the issues of the campaign at the following time and places:

North West, at the village, Wednesday, October 28th, at 12 o'clock m.
Southport, Thursday, October 29th, at night.
Lockwood's Folly, McKeithan's store, October 30th, at 12 o'clock m.
Shallotte Bridge, Saturday, October 31st, at 12 o'clock m.

All citizens are invited to attend.

CLEM. MANLY,
tf Chr. Dem. State Ex. Com.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents.

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

Associated Charities.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Associated Charities on Monday last, it was decided to call a meeting of the Ministers of the city, which will be of importance to them. The date of meeting will be given later.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

Special bargain to-day of Kid Gloves at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s, at 95c—it is their Bargain Day. †

Bargains in Underwear, Shoes, Hats, Clothing, Carpets this week at J. H. Rehder & Co.'s. †

Bargain Day to-day at C. W. Polvogt & Co. †

THE CAMPAIGN.

PROGRESS OF THE CAMPAIGN IN NORTH CAROLINA.

News From All Over the State, As Shown by Special Reports to the Star.

Mr. Wm. H. Bernard, of the State Democratic Committee, is now making a poll of the State by counties, in a general way, with a view to ascertaining what the real political situation is, and the information received will be printed in the STAR. On the 18th instant he mailed circulars to leading Democrats in every county, including all the Chairmen of County Committees, and a synopsis of the replies will be printed from day to day. Special attention is called to the fact that the circular closed with these words: "Now make your estimates conservative."

BLADEN COUNTY.

The STAR has four reports from as many sections of Bladen, and the following is a fair summary of the four: There are not a half-dozen bolting Democrats in the county. Bryan will carry the county by 400 to 500 majority. Watson, for Governor, will have a small majority. Vote on county ticket will be close, but Democrats have strong hopes of success. Prospects constantly improving. Bladen gave a majority of 503 against the Democrats in 1894.

PENDER COUNTY.

We have several reports from Pender, both written and verbal, and they all agree that there is decided improvement in the Democratic outlook. It is conceded that Bryan will carry the county by a good majority. In one Township, every white man will support him. No doubt is entertained that the Democratic State, Congressional and County tickets will have a majority. In 1894 Pender gave a majority of 178 against the Democrats.

CLEVELAND COUNTY.

In 1894 Cleveland county was carried by the Fusionists by a majority of 45. This year there is a great change in favor of the Democrats. One of our correspondents writes: "I think we will carry the county by 1 500 for Bryan, 150 for Cy. Watson, 300 for Congress and 850 for the Legislature. The Populists will scratch Fortune, for the Senate, and Linney for Congress, considerably, on account of their support of the gold standard." Another correspondent occupying a prominent position, and who is well posted, gives the following: "Vote for Governor—Watson, 1,900; Guthrie, 1,000; Russell, 850. For President—Bryan, 2,700; McKinley, 1,000; Palmer and Backner and scratched, 50. Democrats will elect Legislative ticket. Doughton (Dem.), for Congress, will have 300 to 500 over Linney, as a great many Populists will not vote for Linney because of his opposition to free silver." One correspondent reports only 10 gold-bug Democrats in the county.

WAYNE COUNTY.

Wayne county gave a majority of 148 in 1894. A well posted Democrat writes the STAR that "the outlook is better than in that year and is improving every day. Bryan will carry the county by about 1,000 majority. I do not think the gold "Democratic" vote can possibly exceed 35. One of the best Republicans in the State told me a day or two ago that he expected to vote for Bryan."

PERQUIMANS COUNTY.

The county gave a Fusion majority of 691 in 1894. The Democrats will make gains from the Populists this year. About 50 Republicans will vote for Bryan. There are six gold-bugs in the county.

CASWELL COUNTY.

The encouraging character of the following report will be understood when we consider that in 1894 Caswell gave a Fusion majority of 950. The report is from a gentleman who is cool-headed and well informed. We give it in full: "The color line is very closely drawn here; in fact, closer than has ever been known heretofore. In the county fusion has been effected between the Democrats and Populists and will be strictly adhered to by both parties at the polls. The white people here are all for free silver with the exception of perhaps a dozen white negro leaders, who now stifle their feelings along that line in hope of local patronage and county offices. We feel sure of carrying the county for Bryan and for Kitchin, our Congressman of the Fifth district, as fusion on the Congressional ticket is perfect in this county, giving the Populists the Representative, who will also be elected, we hope, as it means a vote for a free silver Senator. We can only work and trust to events on the Gubernatorial ticket. Many of the Populists will support Watson for Governor; but we must have a solid white vote for him to give him a majority from Caswell." As Watson will have to overcome a majority of 950, it is not expected that he will carry Caswell; but it is evident from the report of our correspondent that he will make a large gain.

DUPLIN COUNTY.

Here is another report from Duplin, and from a very high source: "The outlook in this county is better than in 1894 and is improving. There are no gold-bug Democrats here. The Populists are coming back to the Democrats every day. They do not like the methods of their leaders, who have promised their votes to gold-bugs and Republicans. Ward, the Pop.-Radical candidate for the Legislature, has pledged himself to vote for the nominee of the Radical-Populist caucus for U. S. Senate. The Populists can't stand that." Pritchard, gold-bug Republican, will be the nominee of that caucus.

PERSON COUNTY.

The following report from Person county is very encouraging when the fact is considered that the Democrats lost the county by a majority of 340 in 1894: "Replying to yours of recent date, will say that the outlook in my county for Democratic success is much better than it was in 1894 and is improving every day. There will be no division of the negro vote between Russell and Guthrie. I think there has been very little, if any, illegal registration. We have no bolting or "gold-bug" Democrats in this county. I am glad to say, I think we can safely rely on fifty Republicans voting with us on the National ticket. We have fused with the Populists in this county and I am satisfied our National ticket will have a majority of 300. I fear the majority for the State ticket will be small. We confidently expect to give Kitchin for Congress 250 majority. We will also elect Cunningham to the Legislature by about the same majority. If the Populists vote for Guthrie, as I think they will, Watson's majority will be small."

WILMINGTON LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

The old Wilmington Library Association, since is removal two years ago to the Y. M. C. A. building, has been more prosperous than formerly. By its arrangement with the Young Men's Christian Association it is now relieved of all expense for rent, fuel, salary, etc., and the entire receipts from membership and subscriptions can be applied to the purchase of new books and periodicals. The Association was at the time of its removal and for some time after very much embarrassed with debt. This has nearly all been provided for now, however, and with one or two exceptions, the Association finds itself even with the world.

Thirty-four new volumes have been added this year by purchase. In addition to this, the Library was made a depository of the Federal Government some years ago, through the efforts of Hon. A. M. Waddell, and is constantly in receipt of many valuable publications from Washington. The number of bound volumes is slightly over 5,000 and includes, besides complete sets of the standard authors, many valuable works of history, biography and science, some of which are very rare, and of inestimable value.

The reading room is kept supplied with the best periodicals. Century, Harper's Monthly, Munsey, McClure, Lippincott, New England Magazine, Review of Reviews, Nineteenth Century, Forum, Contemporary, Fortnightly, St. Nicholas, Round Table, Puck, Judge, Life, Harper's Weekly, Leslie's Weekly, Popular Monthly, London News, Delineator, Ladies' Home Journal, Scientific American, Youth's Companion, Golden Days, Ram's Horn, Engineering Magazine, Outing, Argosy, and Harper's Bazar are received direct from the publishers and kept constantly on file.

The membership dues are very low and any one is eligible to membership. The directors invite all who are interested to unite with them in making this venerable institution a pride to the city.

OPERA HOUSE.

The Robinson Company Will Begin a Week's Engagement Monday Night.

The Robinson Opera Company, forty strong, will commence a week's engagement at the Opera House Monday night, presenting many of the popular operas of the day.

Monday evening Andraus' Olivette, to be followed successively by Fra Diavolo, Chimes of Normandy, etc. The Wednesday and Saturday matinees are intended for the ladies and children. The company is an excellent one and numbers forty people. In the cast are Miss Isabelle Sargent, Miss Frankie Broach, Miss Minnie Stella, Messrs. Charles N. Holmes, Henry C. Peakes, Tom Martin, F. J. McCarthy, Phin W. Nares and a chorus of thirty well selected and youthful voices under the direction of Signor Carlo Torrian. Nothing will be left undone by manager and the management of the Robinsons to make the week at the Opera House at least a gigantic success.

Popular prices will prevail throughout the week; 25, 35 and 50 cents. Advance sale of seats at Gerken's to-morrow.

Navassa Guano Company.

At a meeting of stockholders of the Navassa Guano Co., held in Wilmington Tuesday, the 20th inst., officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: Chas. E. Borden, president; S. T. Morgan, vice president; Wm. L. DeRosset, secretary and treasurer.

Directors—D. G. Worth, G. W. Kidder, John F. McNair, Chas. E. Borden, Wilmington; L. A. Carr, Durham; S. T. Morgan, Richmond, Va.; S. D. Crenshaw, Richmond, Va.; F. Whittle, Petersburg, Va.; F. B. Dancy, Norfolk, Va.

After the transaction of the usual routine business, the meeting adjourned.

Bargain Week at Rehder's.

Messrs. J. H. Rehder & Co., who began on last Monday morning their special sale or "Bargain Week" have met with decided success. The store has been crowded with sightseers and purchasers. The decorations were tasty and pretty. The sale will continue to-day and to-morrow, which will end their Bargain Week and the proprietors advertise a great reduction in prices of all goods.

Death of Mrs. Katie A. Persse.

The many friends of Capt. Jno. Fitzgerald will learn with regret of the death of his daughter, Mrs. Katie P. Persse, who died yesterday at her father's residence, No. 713 Bladen street. She was well thought of by many friends, who regret her untimely death, at the age of 34. The funeral will take place to-day at 10 o'clock at St. Thomas' Pro-Cathedral.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

LOCKE CRAIG AND R. B. DAVIS, Bryan Electors-at-Large, will address the people at

Kinston, Lenoir county, Friday, October 23.
Goldsboro, Wayne county, Saturday, October 24.
Tarboro, Edgecombe county, Monday, October 26.
Nashville, Nash county, Tuesday, October 27.
Clinton, Sampson county Wednesday, October 28.
Fayetteville, Cumberland county, Thursday, October 29.
Maxton, Robeson county, Friday, October 30.

One dollar Silks at fifty-nine (59) cents. Plushes 18 cents at J. H. Rehder & Co.'s. †

WATCH THE COUNT.

A Matter of Vital Importance to the Democratic Party.

It is of the utmost importance that intelligent and wide awake Democrats shall watch the counting of the ballots on the night of the 3d of November. We give an extract from the law:

"That when the election shall be finished, the registrars and judges of election, in the presence of such candidates, *or their duly authorized representatives*, as may choose to attend, shall open the boxes and count the ballots, reading aloud the names of the persons who shall appear on each ticket * * * * * and the said counting of votes shall be continued without adjournment until completed and the result thereof declared."

It will be seen that, under the law, candidates, if they prefer to do so, may choose their own representatives to watch the count, and in this way the most intelligent and capable Democrats in every county can see that every ballot is honestly counted.

This matter is so important that we hope every Democratic newspaper and every Democratic speaker will call attention to it.

HON. CYRUS B. WATSON

Has Issued an Earnest and Ringing Appeal to the Voters of the State Asking Their Suffrages for the Party He Represents.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, October 22.—Hon. Cyrus B. Watson having been informed by physicians that he could not enter the campaign again, has issued an eloquent and ringing appeal to the people of the State. Among other things, he says:

"Fearing that I may not be able to enter the campaign again, I write this letter that the voters of the State may know my heart is with them; that I wish I was able to speak to them in every county, and I ask their suffrages for the great party that presented my name for consideration. It was my heartfelt wish to present to the people of North Carolina my views on the great issues presented by the Democratic party to the American people. From my bed of sickness I send you my greeting and full assurance that if I should be by your suffrages elevated to the high position of Governor, I would ask no greater honor than to so administer the duties of the office that my conduct would meet with the approval of you all. I write, because I cannot speak to you."

THE STATE FAIR.

Large Attendance—Election of Officers of the State Agricultural Society.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 22.—At the annual meeting of the State Agricultural Society to-night, Col. Banehan Cameron was re-elected president and Mr. John Nichols secretary and treasurer, by a rising vote. The following were elected vice presidents: W. R. Capeheart, L. L. Staton, W. J. Green, J. W. Crenshaw, L. Banks Holt, W. O. Smith, E. B. C. Hamley, S. L. Patterson, S. F. Weston.

The thanks of the society were specially tendered to the president and the secretary, and also to Mr. George Vanderbilt for his agricultural, dairy and stock exhibits, and to the railways for reduced rates.

S. B. Alexander announced that at the next annual meeting he would offer a resolution providing for holding the State Fair at different cities in the State, citing Asheville, Wilmington, Charlotte and Newbern.

The attendance was fair to-day; estimated at fifteen thousand.

N. C. METHODISTS.

Committee of the North Carolina Conference Considering Plans for a New Religious Journal.

[*Star Correspondence.*]

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C., Oct. 21.

The special committee appointed at the last session of the North Carolina Conference to arrange for the publication of a paper as an organ for the North Carolina Conference, was in session here yesterday. There were present Rev. W. S. Block, D. D., Rev. R. A. Willis and R. B. John, and E. W. Smith, proxy for T. H. Gaither. The committee is maturing its plans. They are instructed to try to secure an organ in conjunction with the Western North Carolina Conference. If they fail in this, they are to present a plan for a new religious journal for North Carolina Methodism.

They adjourned at 11 o'clock last night to meet in Salisbury on November 18th, at which time the Western North Carolina Conference meets at that place.

Nothing the Matter with Josh.

Mr. Josh. T. James, who is associate editor of the Southport *Leader*, says in his letter to that paper this week:

"Please allow me to say here that while the *Leader* and its associate editor are in thorough accord on the State ticket, we are not so as to the Presidential election. I am a Democrat and will follow my party wherever it goes. I am for Bryan and Sewall and expect to vote for the eleven electors as recommended by the State Democratic Executive Committee. I think this should be stated here as some few people seem disposed to class me with the gold men, one of which I am not, and as I am the candidate on the Democratic ticket for Treasurer of New Hanover county, it is well that everybody should know just where I am "at."

Fifty-two inch French Serge, 25c per yard at J. H. Rehder & Co.'s. †

Towels are among the 100 Bargains that C. W. Polvogt & Co. offer to-day. †

Two more days of great bargains at J. H. Rehder & Co.'s. †

20 per cent. discount on Baby Carriages to-day at C. W. Polvogt & Co. †

DO YOU TAKE IT?

Are you a subscriber to THE MORNING STAR? If not, why not?

Do you want a first-class daily paper at $5.00 per year, or $1.25 for three months? If so, subscribe to THE MORNING STAR.

Do you want a paper that is opposed to the single gold standard, that favors the free coinage of silver on an exact equality with gold, and that does not hesitate to speak its sentiments openly and fearlessly? If so, subscribe to THE MORNING STAR.

Do you want a paper that prints the latest telegraphic news, the best local news, reliable market reports, excellent short stories, and the choicest miscellaneous matter? If so, subscribe to THE MORNING STAR.

Do not forget that THE MORNING STAR is the cheapest daily of its class in North Carolina. Its price is $5.00, while the published price of others ranges from $7.00 to $8.00.

If you will invest $1.25 in a trial subscription of three months you will have ample opportunity to form a fair judgment of the merits of THE MORNING STAR.

RUSSELL IN CHATHAM.

He Speaks at Pittsboro to a Mixed Crowd of One Hundred.

[*Pittsboro Record.*]

Judge Russell, the Republican candidate for Governor, spoke at this place on last Tuesday, and he must have felt very much disappointed, if not mortified, at the small audience that greeted him, consisting only of about 100 persons, 75 of whom were negroes, and over half of the remainder were white Democrats, who had come to hear him out of curiosity. He devoted nearly all his speech to a denunciation of the Democrats, and appealed in every way to the race prejudices of his colored hearers. We wish that every white man in Chatham could have heard him, for such a speech shou'd cause every decent man to vote against such a dangerous demagogue. Fat people are usually good natured, but Russell is an exception, for never before have we] ever seen so much fat and malice mingled in one man. And when he would roll his owl-like eyes his face as well as his figure was as ludicrous as it was repulsive. The idea of such a man being the Governor of North Carolina!

Near the close of his harangue he said that he would not discuss free silver because, said he, "free silver is a bumbug." And not only did he dismiss free silver thus contemptuously, but declared that any man who voted for Bryan would not only vote for free silver "but also for free riot, free insurrection and free trade." He closed by calling on his colored hearers [illegible] Carolina in the Republican column." This he hopes to do by uniting the negroes and dividing the white men. And shall he succeed? Men of Chatham, will you permit it?

Seventh Annual Fair.

The Seventh Annual Fair of the Border Exposition of the Carolinas will be held at Maxton, N. C., Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Oct. 28, 29 and 30. Send for Premium List.

W. B. HARKER,
† Secretary and Treasurer.

Visit C. W. Polvogt & Co. to-day and see the Bargains in Dress Goods. †

Two more days of great bargains at J. H. Rehder & Co.'s. †

Special Serge Sale at C. W. Polvogt & Co. to-day only—75c serge for 39c. †

DIED.

PERSSE—In this city, yesterday, at 9.15 p. m., Mrs. KATIE A. PERSSE, at her father's residence 713 Bladen street, aged 34 years and 7 months.

Funeral at 10 a. m. to-day, from St. Thomas' Pro-Cathedral. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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One Week, Commencing Oct. 26th.
Robinson's Opera Company.
40—PEOPLE—40
In a repertoire of popular Operas. Change of bill nightly.
MONDAY EVENING, "OLIVETTE."
Popular prices, 25, 35 and 50 cents.
Augmented chorus, new costumes and original stage effects.
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RECEIVED TO-DAY AT THE
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HAS FOR FARMERS AGRICULTURAL Lime and Land Plaster, For building—Common and Face Brick; Lime, Cement, Plaster Paris, Laths, Hair, Shingles, Fence Posts, Fire Brick, Fire Clay, Paints, Oils, Roofing, Tarred felt Sheathing Paper, &c. oct 18 1m

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Enter more largely into the act of buying than anything else.
If the price is right, the quality good, assortment complete, buying is easy. That is what makes buying easy at our store. We've got the stock, the price, the quality, and can suit the wants of all in

Millinery,
Fancy Goods,
DRESS GOODS,
Novelties and Cloaks.
Latest styles in all desirable goods and prices that others can't touch, quality of goods considered.
TRIMMED HATS AND TOQUES,
an elegant new line of best goods at various prices and the latest thing in style of design.
Something new in CLOAKS and CAPES for Ladies, Misses and Children.
We carry a big stock of Kid Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Corsets and Muslin and Merino Underwear.
We defy competition.
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"March Hares," by Fredric.
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"Checkers," by H. H. Blosson, Jr.
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I wish to inform the public of Wilmington that I will open a first class
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with a brand new stock of Woolens, the styles in Nobby Goods that I am at present selecting in New York, that I will display on or about the 7th of November, on Market street, two doors below R. R. Bellamy's drug store.
It will be of interest to good dressers to wait and see my stock before buying elsewhere.
Satisfaction guaranteed.
Respectfully,
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The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCT. 23, 1896

NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

FOR PRESIDENT:
WILLIAM J. BRYAN,
of Nebraska.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT:
ARTHUR SEWALL,
of Maine.

FOR ELECTORS.

Electors-at-Large—Locke Craig, of Buncombe, and R. B. Davis, of New Hanover.
First District—Theo. F. White, of Perquimans.
Second District—H. F. Freeman, of Wilson.
Third District—C. R. Thomas, of Craven.
Fourth District—W. S. Bailey, of Nash.
Fifth District—William Merritt, of Person.
Sixth District—B. F. Keith, of New Hanover.
Seventh District—Theo. F. Kluttz, of Rowan.
Eighth District—Tyre York, of Wilkes.
Ninth District—R. D. Gilmer, of Haywood.

STATE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

FOR GOVERNOR:
CYRUS B. WATSON,
of Forsyth.
FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR:
THOMAS W. MASON,
of Northampton.
FOR SECRETARY OF STATE:
CHARLES M. COOKE,
of Franklin.
FOR STATE TREASURER:
B. F. AYCOCK,
of Wayne.
FOR STATE AUDITOR:
R. M. FURMAN,
of Buncombe.
FOR SUPT. PUBLIC INSTRUCTION:
JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,
of Johnston.
FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL:
F. I. OSBORNE,
of Mecklenburg.
ASSOCIATE JUSTICES SUPREME COURT:
A. C. AVERY, of Burke,
GEO. H. BROWN, Jr., of Beaufort.
FOR JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE FIFTH DISTRICT.
JAMES S. MANNING, of Durham.

CONGRESSIONAL TICKET.

1st District—W. H. Lucas, of Hyde.
2d " F. A. Woodard, of Wilson.
3d " Frank Thompson, Onslow.
4th " E. W. Pou, of Johnston.
5th " W. W. Kitchin, of Person.
6th " Jas. A. Lockhart, of Anson.
7th " S. J. Pemberton, of Stanly.
8th " R. A. Doughton, Alleghany
9th " Jos. S. Adams, Buncombe.

COUNTY DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For Sheriff—Frank H. Stedman.
Register of Deeds—John Haar.
Treasurer—Josh. T. James.
Coroner—Peter H. Smith.
Commissioners—Roger Moore.
—J. G. L. Gieschen.
—W. F. Alexander.
Constable—(Wil. township) W. H. Biddle.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
B. F. KING.
D. J. FERGUS.

FOR STATE SENATE.

NEW HANOVER AND BRUNSWICK:
THOMAS W. STRANGE.

☞ COCKRAN ON SLAVEHOLDERS.—Will you submit to this conspiracy between the professional farmers, the farmers who cultivate the quarrels of their neighbors, farmers who labor with their jaws, Populist agitators of the West, and the unreconciled slave-holders of the South? This is a conspiracy between professional farmers, who want to pay low wages, and the unreconciled slave-holders, who would like to pay no wages at all.—(Extract from the speech of Bourke Cockran, delivered in New York August 18th.)

A DEGRADING CAMPAIGN.

As far as we know the history of political campaigns in this country, there is none, in as far as the Republican methods are concerned, and the methods of their so-called Democratic allies, which approaches this in all the elements of degradation. It has been a campaign from the beginning of shame, hypocrisy and nauseating sideshow. The man who is running it is a cold blooded, calculating man, entirely devoid of anything like fine sentiment, one who takes a business-like view of the situation and runs the campaign for McKinley in the same cool, matter-of-fact way that P. T. Barnum ran "the greatest show in the world," Our opinion is that as a show-manager Barnum has a pretty clever successor in Mark Hanna, who plays men instead of animals and freaks. We do not think there is another man in the United States who would have essayed the role he has, and he would not have done it if had not the coarse, callous nature that makes him insensible of the proprieties or of the feeling of shame.

There isn't one man in a million to begin with who would have resorted to the methods that he did to secure this nomination of his candidate, and Mr. McKinley, who now poses at his Canton shrine as a model of uprightness, of morality and national honor, was fully aware of those methods and gave them his tacit if not avowed acquiescene. When charged by the supporters of other Republican candidates with levying assessments upon manufactures to stock delegations to support McKinley in the National Convention, he denied the leveying, but admitted the receiving of "contributions," and when his man was nominated he had the cheek to admit that McKinley's nomination cost $100,000, $40,000 of which was contributed by himself and the remainder by others—manufacturers who expect to get it back as Hanna does if McKinley be elected.

In the way of moral sensibility much could not be expected from such a man and no one is surprised at the methods he is resorting to. He knows the history of his party well enough to know that it has always depended much on money to carry elections, and recognizing the emergencies of this one he early set to work to accumulating an enormous campaign fund, and has been so successful in this that the proud boast is made that he has more money at his disposal than any Chairman of a National Committee ever had before, showing plainly that while the Republican party has always been dependent upon money it is in this campaign more dependent than ever, and hence the organs approve the efforts and applaud the success of Hanna in securing money in such large amount.

Hanna has the money and he is putting it where he thinks it will "do the most good." The bulk of this money will go into the "doubtful" States, for Hanna is a business man and does not believe in paying for what he already has or for what he can't get. Some of it has come into North Carolina, and gone into Virginia and into Congressional districts in the South to aid in the election of Republican Congressmen, or of "Democrats" who are running as representatives of the gold standard and in opposition to the regular Democratic nominees.

He isn't depending altogether on the dollars he has to distribute, but is supplementing these with his spectacular side-shows, in which he plays the "pilgrims," the Union Generals, the United States flag, and even such of the preachers of the gospel as he could engage. The pilgrim show is on the whole amusing, although there are some degrading features in it. It is degrading because it is a hypocritical farce in which some unwilling men are compelled to take part because their dependent condition is such that it would be very embarrassing for them to refuse and thus incur the displeasure of the men who employ them and are co-operating with Hanna for the election of McKinley. We say it is degrading to require these men to wear McKinley buttons and march in McKinley processions, and it is degrading in the men who require them to do it at the peril of losing the work on which they are dependent to buy the food their wives and children eat, and the clothes they wear.

In getting up these pilgrim delegations he has not forgotten the colored preachers and sent a train-load of them to "pay their respects" to Mr. McK[illegible] and hear him discourse on the virtues of the Republican party. This was degrading because it was using the pastors of flocks to influence the flocks, a brutal disrespect for the calling of the preachers, and degrading to the men who would thus convert this calling into a political machine. He hasn't sent any white ministerial pilgrims yet, but this is, perhaps, because he has not been able to secure enough of them who set such a low estimate on their profession to form a delegation respectable in numbers.

In some respects worse than any of these is the parade he is making of Federal Generals who fought in the war between the States, in sending them around the country to arouse the old soldier feeling and fan into flame again the embers of sectional strife which had about died out when Hanna struck on this device for starting it up again. This is degrading, degrading to men of honorable soldier records, degrading to a profession which prides itself on its honor, degrading to the soldiers who could be captivated by any such disgusting side show as that, and degrading to the men who could conceive it and put such a low estimate on the men who perilled their lives in upholding their flag. These are a few of the degrading features of Mark Hanna's campaign, of which there are more.

MINOR MENTION.

The anti-Bryan campaign managers, both Republican and "sound money" Democrat, have been presenting the people with the 50-cent Mexican dollar, and other "object lessons," but some of the biggest object lessons presented in this or any other campaign are the multitudes which greet Wm. J. Bryan at every place in the States through which he moves in his canvass. Three hundred and fifty thousand out of the five hundred thousand voters in the State of Michigan flocked to hear him when he passed though that State, and although his train did not reach some points until late in the night, the people waited patiently until he came and responded enthusiastically to the words he uttered. Passing thence into Mr. McKinley's State he was met and greeted by such multitudes as never gathered in those towns before, and going into Indiana he found thousands and in some places scores of thousands waiting to see and hear him. At one place which his train did not arrive until after midnight he found five or six thousand people waiting in the rain the coming of his train, and then they stood in the rain to hear this bold, brave, brainy leader of the people speak for the people. In all the history of political campaigning there never were such "object lessons" as these popular demonstrations in those States and in all the States North and South, East and West, where Wm. J. Bryan has spoken, and they are lessons which the opponents of silver may study with profit.

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Some time ago the Armour Packing Company, of Chicago, and some of the merchants who are believers in the gold standard, concluded they would give the laboring men of that city an "object lesson," and imported Mexican silver dollars which they gave in change at a valuation of 50 cents on the dollar. This was in part to show to what a deplorable condition Mexico was reduced by her silver dollars, which were not worth more than 50 cents. To ascertain what truth there might be in these representations and learn something about the effect of silver money in that country, the Labor organizations of Chicago sent two of their number, two bright, intelligent men, to Mexico to study the situation there and report on their return. Here is the result as reported by P. J. Maas, one of the commissioners, speaking for himself:

"When I started for Mexico I was apathetic on the money question. I had not made up my mind as to what would be the best policy for the United States. My trip has removed every doubt held by me, and I am now an ardent free silverite. If the United States would adopt free silver it would injure the trade of England and other European gold countries. Talk about protection to American workingmen! There never was a better plan advanced than the free coinage of silver. It would encourage home manufacturers, as their product would be purchased by the people of the United States in preference to those of England or other countries.

"The United States and Mexico are not to be compared from a labor standpoint. The natives of Mexico are a lazy, shiftless lot, but if they had the energy of the workingmen of this country their chances for bettering their condition would be increased a thousand fold by the fact that Mexico is a free silver country."

No man who studies this question, who does not put a gold dollar before his eyes, as Mr. Bryan expresses it, to obscure his vision, can fail to come to the conclusion that free silver is the best for this country and for the world.

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Some of the Republican papers in this State publish portions of the letter of Mr. Creelman, correspondent of the New York *World*, who was sent into the South to study the situation, and report his conclusions. Among the States visited was North Carolina, which he concluded would go for Bryan by 10,000 to 12,000 majority. In that letter he gave an interview he had with Chairman Holton of the Republican State Committee, giving the reasons why he claimed the State for McKinley and Russell. One of the reasons given is thus reported by Mr. Creelman:

"But Mr. Holton, the Republican State Chairman, said to me to-night that the enormous registration of unqualified negro voters, made possible by the Republican-Populist fusion on Congressional, State and county ticket, would probably give North Carolina's eleven electoral votes to McKinley by a majority of 12,000."

The papers which reproduce the Holton interview carefully omit this portion of it, which they didn't want their honest readers to see, and which Mr. Holton, doubtless, did not expect to see in print when he made that statement. That they are counting on carrying the election by the fraudulently increased registration of illegal voters there is no more doubt than that the sun shines, but they are not going to play that game as successfully or extensively as they hope to. Honest men are watching them, and there will be recruits for the penitentiary.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— United States District Attorney Bible, of Tennessee, has been called off the stump. He was talking on the wrong side of the case.—*Wash. Post, Ind,*

—— General John M. Palmer prefers a monarchy to an American President with whom he cannot agree upon an economic question. Yet General Palmer prates of patriotism, and is going about the country advising intelligent and patriotic American citizens how they should vote.—*New York Journal, Dem.*

—— A man who knows what he is talking about informs us that in some Western stock yards, the cattle are graded according to their condition, and the worst specimens are put aside as "Southerners," that means the shipment of such meat to this section. An inspection of cattle and meat might seriously occupy the attention of the Board of Health.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

—— Nothing that Altgeld has said in this campaign is more false or mischievous than were the descriptions of his Cooper Union meeting id some of the papers yesterday. One of them is printed under the heading: "Anarchy Hails Altgeld!" If the great outpouring of Saturday night in and around Cooper Union was composed of Anarchists, or of those who sympathize with Anarchist doctrines, our city would be in a very bad way. Of course the imputation was false. The crowd did not differ essentially from that which turned out to see and hear Mr. Bryan. Anarchy in a republic of equal citizens is so monstrous a thing that its name should not be applied lightly.—*New York World, (gold) Dem.*

— Durham *Sun*: Durham county, will, it is thought, go for Democracy and the free siluer fusion ticket by good majorities. It is thought that all the county officers will be elected by safe majorities. It is estimated that Kitchin will carry Durham county by five hundred majority. We think that this estimate not be far wrong, but a more conservative estimate by some places his probable majority at one hundred and fifty. A rough estimate by some gives Kitchin the district by about fifteen hundred majority.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Concord *Standard*: Georgia, the young wife of Mr. Will Dorton, died at home neat Flowes, in No. 10 township, Monday, after a long and tedious suffering, with consumption.

— Salisbury *World*: Postmaster Frank R. Graham, of China Grove, sent us in to-day a bunch of ripe grapes, the second growth on the same arbor this year. Nearly all the fruit trees are bearing a second crop this year, but a second growth of grapes is unusual.

— Charlotte *News*: Mr. Hazel W. Dewey died Monday night after 10 o'clock. Mr. Dewey had not been well for some days previous to his last sickness, in fact had never completely recovered from his attack in the early Spring, of which his friends add relatives were so fearful.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: We are informed that one of the photo-enlarger men has been making a canvass of the city, and perpetrating a neat little swindle, "on the side." If the person he is bargaining with is an old lady, he will let a pair of handsome gold spectacles accidentally drop from his pocket, and in picking them up carelessly remark that he found them in a Pullman sleeper, and would like to sell them for a dollar or two. In a number of cases the old ladies have eagerly bought them, only to find out later that the spectacles are worthless.

— Goldsboro *Headlight*: After a lingering illness with consumption, Mr. S. L. Duty, the husband of the former matron of the Emergency Hospital, departed this life in this city on Friday. —— Some of the colored McKinleyites, especially the ex-convicts, who have registered in this county, will encounter a disagreeable surprise next Saturday. The unterrified Democrats are after them. —— The news reaches us from Durham that Mrs. R. B. Proctor had a narrow escape from a terrible death at her home in that city Monday. While engaged in dressing her 4 year old son Grover, her dress caught on fire from the stove and but for the timely assistance of her mother-in-law and the cook she would have undoubtedly been burned to death. Her clothes were all burned off down to a flannel skirt and her left hadd badly burned. The elder Mrs. Proctor and the cook were also painfully burued in saving Mrs. Proctor, who is now entirely out of danger. Only last Friday afternoon she left here for her home after a week's visit to her mother, Mrs. W. T. Gardner.

TWINKLINGS.

— "Mr. Whoopley, if you will only say that I can have your daughter I am willing to wait for her forever."

"It's a go, young man. You can have her when the time's up."—*Detroit Free Press.*

— She—Our wedding day seems to me almost a dream.

He—It does to me, with one exception.

She—What was it?

He—I distinctly remember that my collar got loose behind and crawled up my neck as I went up the aisle.—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— One Explanation—'Why do men always bet hats on an election?" said the man who inquires.

"It's very simple," replied the man who sneers.

"By the time the campaign is over the old ones are invariably worn out by the talking that's been done through them."—*Washington Star.*

— No Translating Required—"I wish I were a composer instead of an author," he said.

"And why?' inquired his wife.

"A composer can get original themes without having to understand a foreign language."—*Puck.*

— The mildest-tempered man in world will slam the door after him when his wife asks him to bring in the flower pots off the porch so the frost won't hurt them.—*New York Press.*

— Coroner—"Is this man whom you found dead on the railroad track a total stranger?"

Witness (who had been told by the company to be careful in his statements)—"No, sor. His leg was gone intoirely. He was a partial stranger."—*Texas Siftings.*

The best way to cure disease is to drive it from the system by purifying the blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla. †

HIGH TEA.

What the English Eat at the Function They Claim Their Own.

The high tea is peculiarly an English institution. It is a meal at which much of the formality which attends a dinner is dispensed with, but the menu is of a more satisfying character than that of the usual 5 o'clock tea, with its thin bread and butter, wafers and cakes.

The high tea is particularly favored in the hunting season, when the sportsmen return from the field two or three hours before dinner time with appetites sharpened by a long gallop in the fresh air. Then it is that the high tea affords the hungry ones something to tide over the time until dinner and gives them a chance to rest before taking off their scarlet coats and hunting boots.

At many country houses this hour is considered the pleasantest of the day. The ladies appear in their prettiest tea gowns, the conversation is usually interesting and spirited, the hour is that charming one "between the dark and the daylight," and everything tends to make the participants linger long around the table.

The food partakes of the nature of breakfast, luncheon and dinner without being too nearly like any of them. Tea, of course, is served and is made at the table by the hostess, being kept warm under a dainty cozy.

Claret and even beer are allowable for the tired and thirsty sportsmen, though the latter is rarely asked for. The table is well furnished with substantial eatables for the men and with dainties for the ladies.

A cold boiled Yorkshire ham is often in evidence. It appears on the table in a dress suit, as it were, highly glazed and ornamented. After it has been well boiled, skinned and thoroughly cooled, it is treated to two or three coats of melted glace, which gives it a dark and shining appearance. Then it is ornamented with butter, which has been worked with a fork till soft, but not oily. It is applied so as to outline a pattern on the glaze with a small white paper funnel. The shank of the ham has a frill of paper or a fringed doily arranged around it, and a little fresh parsley garnishes the whole.—Philadelphia Press.

A Proper Expression.

"I think gold is being hoarded," observed Manchester.

"Nonsense," replied Birmingham. "I was in a bank yesterday, and saw about two quarts of gold on the counter."

"That's a fine way to speak of gold coin—measuring it as though it were milk or cider."

"The expression is all right. Gold comes in quarts."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

Traverse the desert and then ye can tell what treasures exist in the cold deep well; sink in despair on the red parched earth and then ye may reckon what water is worth.—Eliza Cook.

GOOD OLD RIVER DAYS.

Captain Reardon's Experience Extends Over More Than Half a Century.

Captain J. E. Reardon of Shawneetown, Ills., owns and commands the Jessie Wilson, an Ohio river boat. "It was in 1835 that I made my first trip down the Wabash on a keelboat," said the captain. "I was only 14 then and was cook of the boat. In those days we used to float keelboats and flatboats down the river and pull them back. A crew generally consisted of 12 men, and the cook and captain, as well as the others, had to do a good deal of pulling sometimes. A stake was driven in the ground on the shore above the boat, if there was no tree near, and we pulled ourselves up to it with ropes. Before my day my father-in-law owned 12 keelboats that ran from Pittsburg to New Orleans, and it took six months to make a round trip. I worked on the Big Wabash, the Little Wabash and the White river. Sometimes we used oxen in pulling up stream. Nor was it such an easy matter to go down stream. There were milldams, for example, on the Little Wabash at Carmi and New Haven. If the water was very high, we jumped them without unloading, but the rule was to unload, carry the freight below the dam and jump the dam with the empty boat and then reload. There were no railroads in those days, *and the farmers* of Illinois and Indiana had no other way of marketing their produce. Many of them built boats and floated them to New Orleans loaded with grain, cattle, hogs and vegetables. Deer meat, too, was plentiful in those days. I remember one flatboat that was loaded with 90 tons of freight, and just about half of the entire load consisted of venison hams."

Captain Reardon met Lincoln, Clay and other prominent men before the war, some of them frequently. "In the hard cider campaign of 1840 Lincoln came down to our country on horseback," said the captain. "He was a candidate for elector on the Whig ticket and traveled with a man named Lambert. I heard him speak at Shawneetown, New Haven and Carmi. The meetings were held in log cabins, and the hard cider and the coon were always there. Douglas I saw several times in the fifties. Clay was a frequent visitor at Shawneetown, and Zach Taylor I met there also and at Louisville. Clay I first met in Louisiana. He had a cotton plantation down there and occasionally visited it. On one of these trips the boat he was on, the Andrew Jackson, stopped at Shawneetown, and the whole town went aboard to greet the popular statesman. Sam Marshall made a speech on behalf of the Shawneetowners, and Clay responded in a manner that made him still more popular in that part of the country. When the time for separating came, he shook hands with a good many and kissed some of the girls. Nearly all the old ladies of Shawneetown today will tell you that Henry Clay kissed them at that reception half a century ago."

John A. Logan married in Shawneetown. "John did most of his courting at my house," said Captain Reardon. "Miss Cunningham lived near us and was generally there when Logan came down from Benton, where he was reading law, to see her. Bob Ingersoll spent four years about town reading law. In those days Bob had the most remarkable memory I ever knew. After reading an article in a newspaper he could repeat it almost word for word."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The Man Eating Ape.

W. C. Coup, the circus man, has had many remarkable experiences, and a reporter asked him if the dreaded cry of "Hey, Rube!" had ever sounded in his tent.

"No," he said, "but it came near it once in a small Kansas town, when fortunately there were no newspapers to spread the affair publicly. I had among the attractions of the show a man eating ape, the largest ever in captivity. He was chained to the dead trunk of a tree and looked very ferocious.

"On the day I speak of a countryman handed him a piece of tobacco, which the ape chewed with great pleasure. The word was passed around that the ape would chew tobacco, and several gave him a piece that was filled with cayenne pepper. The ape bit it, then, smarting with indignation, snapped the fastening of his chain and yelled: 'Let me at 'im, the murtherin ijit. Or'll hev the loife av 'im on me name ain't Mahoney.' Then he started through the crowd with a handspike, ready to strike with, but the culprit escaped. I docked the ape a week's salary, and it was the last time I had any trouble with him."—Philadelphia Times.

State Moved; She Didn't.

There lives a woman in Middle Tennessee who, without ever moving from the house in which she was born, has been a citizen of two states and five counties. The explanation is that her farm lies upon the state line just where several counties meet and corner. The early surveys were not overaccurate, so new lines have been run repeatedly, yet never to the full satisfaction of the authorities. In the changes the dwelling has been set now in this jurisdiction, now in that, and the owner of it has paid taxes, usually under injunction, to five sets of officials.—New York Journal.

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Though the sun scorches us sometimes and gives us the headache, we do not refuse to acknowledge that we stand in need of his warmth.—De Mornay.

Winged time glides on insensibly and deceives us, and there is nothing more fleeting than years.—Ovid.

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Carver's Creek Circuit, Shiloh, November 7, 8.
Kenansville circuit, Rose Hill, November 14, 15.
Magnolia circuit, Providence, November 15 16.
Columbus circuit, Cerro Gordo, November 20 21.
Whiteville and Fair Bluff, Whiteville, Nov. 22, 23.
Waccamaw circuit, Zion, Nov. 24.
Bladen circuit, Antioch, Nov. 28, 29.
Wilmington, Bladen Street, Dec. 3.
Onslow circuit, Tabernacle, Dec. 5, 6

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BAGGING—			
2 lb Jute		@	6½
Standard		@	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ₩ lb	12	@	14
Sides ₩ lb	6	@	7
Shoulders ₩ lb	6	@	6¼
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ₩ lb	4	@	4
Shoulders ₩ lb		@	4¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New York, each	1 35	@	1 40
New City, each		@	1 40
BRESWAX ₩ lb	23	@	24
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ₩ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ₩ lb	15	@	
Northern	23	@	
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks	40	@	40
Virginia Meal	40	@	40
COTTON TIES—₩ bundle		@	1 10
CANDLES—₩ lb—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	9	@	10
CHEESE—₩ lb—			
Northern Factory	10	@	11
Dairy, Cream	11	@	12
State		@	10
COFFEE—₩ lb—			
Laguyra	20	@	
Rio	19	@	17
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ₩ yard		@	5¾
Yarns, ₩ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS—₩ dozen	7½	@	8
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ₩ barrel	22 00	@	23 00
Mackerel, No 1, ₩ half-barrel	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ₩ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ₩ half-barrel	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ₩ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ₩ barrel	3 00	@	3 50
Mullets, ₩ pork barrel	5 75	@	6 00
N C Roe Herring, ₩ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ₩ lb	5	@	10
" extra	3 25	@	3 50
FLOUR—₩ barrel—			
Low grade	3 25	@	3 00
Choice	3 25	@	3 25
Straight	4 10	@	4 00
Fine Patent	4 75	@	4 50
GLUE—₩ lb	7½	@	8½
GRAIN—₩ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bags—White,		@	45
Corn, cargo, in bulk—White,	65	@	40
Corn, cargo, in bags—White,		@	50
Oats, from a store	30	@	35
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@	45
Cow Peas	40	@	50
HIDES, ₩ lb—			
Green		@	6
Dry		@	8
HAY, ₩ 100 lbs—			
Eastern		@	1 35
Western		@	90
North River		@	85
HOOP IRON, ₩ lb	2	@	3½
LARD, ₩ lb—			
Northern	5	@	6
North Carolina	9	@	10
LIME, ₩ barrel		@	1 25
LUMBER (Rough), ₩ M feet—			
Ship Stuff resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	12 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, assorted	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ₩ gallon—			
New Crop Cuba, in hhds		@	32
" in tierces		@	28
Porto Rico, in hhds	35	@	39
" in bbls		@	30
Sugar-House, in hhds	12	@	30
" in bbls	14	@	35
Syrup, in bbls	12	@	30
NAILS, ₩ keg, Cut 60d basis	2 35	@	2 50
PORK, ₩ barrel—			
City Mess		@	8 00
Rump		@	7 50
Prime		@	7 00
ROPE, ₩ lb	10	@	11
SALT, ₩ sack Alum		@	75
Liverpool		@	90
Labon		@	
American		@	65
Ox Bbl Sacks	40	@	45
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ₩ M	5 00	@	6 00
Common	1 80	@	2 25
Cypress Extra	3 50	@	4 00
SUGAR, ₩ lb—Standard Granu		@	4½
Standard A		@	4¾
White Extra C		@	4¼
Extra C, Golden	4	@	4
C		@	3¾
Yellow		@	3½
SOAP, ₩ lb—Northern	3½	@	5
STAVES, ₩ M—W. O. barrel	8 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ₩ M feet—Shipping		@	12 00
Mill, Prime		@	9 00
Mill, Fair	8 00	@	8 50
Common Mill	6 00	@	6 50
Inferior to Ordinary		@	5 00
TALLOW, ₩ lb	5	@	5½
WHISKEY, ₩ gallon—Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	2 00
WOOL, ₩ lb—Washed	19	@	24
Unwashed	9	@	10

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE October 22.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 25¾ cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and quiet at 25½c for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 45 per bbl for Strained and $1 50 for Good Strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1 00 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Steady. Hard $1 30, Yellow Dip 1 90, and Virgin 1 80 per barrel.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine 25¾@26c; rosin, strained, $1 20; good strained, 1 35; tar, 1 40; crude turpentine, $1 10, 1 50, 1 60.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	94
Rosin	455
Tar	185
Crude Turpentine	114

Receipts same day last year—177 casks spirits turpentine, 718 bbls rosin, 479 bbls tar, 11 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market quiet on a basis of 7¼c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	cts ₩ lb
Good Ordinary	6½ " "
Low Middling	6⅞ " "
Middling	7¼ " "
Good Middling	7 9-16 " "

Same day last year, middling 8¼c.

Receipts—3,784 bales; same day last year 862.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 40@50c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 55c; Fancy, 60@65c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 60@65c; Fancy, 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 38 to 40 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 9 to 11½c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 7½c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1 60 to 2 25; six inch, $2 50 to 3 50, seven inch, $3 50 to 6 50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3 00 to 7 50 per M.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, October 22—Evening.—Money on call was easier at 5@6 per cent; last loan at 5, closing offered at 5 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 7½@10 per cent. Sterling exchange was firm; actual business in bankers bills 481@481¼ for sixty days and 484@484¼ for demand. Commercial bills 479¼@480¼. Government bonds firm; United States coupon fours 108; United States twos 98. State bonds dull; North Carolina fours 95; North Carolina sixes 114. Railroad bonds strong.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to day was easier.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, October 22—Evening.—Cotton quiet; middling gull 8 3 16c; middling 7 15-16c.

Cotton futures closed quiet and steady; October 7 52, November 7 55, December 7 74, January 7 86, February 7 91, March 7 96, April 8 00, May 8 04, June 8 08, July 8 11. Sales 68 900 bales.

Cotton—net receipts 1 080 bales; gross 2 503 bales; exports to Great Britain —— bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent 2,186 bales; forwarded —— bales; sales 1,583 bales; sales to spinners 63 bales; stock (actual) 141,200 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 45 407 bales; exports to Great Britain 14,167 bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent 8,196 bales; stock 1,089,687 bales.

Total so far this week—Net receipts 277 037 bales; exports to Great Britain 150,234 bales; to France 5,607 bales; to the Continent 85,885 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 1,939,127 bales; exports to Great Britain 636,876 bales; exports to France 97,195 bales; exports to the Continent 331,734 bales.

Flour was neglected owing to the high prices asked, closing easy with wheat; nominally 10c under last prices; Southern was dull and easy; common to fair extra $3 65@3 35; good to choice $3 35@3 50. Wheat—spot market dull and 4½@4¾c lower with options, closing weak; ungraded red 70@82c; options were active, very irregular and heavy, declining 4¾@5 on foreign selling, lower cables, weak West, and light money here and at the West, rallying ¼c and closed unsettled at 4½@4¾c under yesterday; No. 2 red May 83½c; October 76c; November 75¾c; December 77¼c. Corn dull and weaker; No. 2 29¾@30c at elevator and 30¾@31c afloat; options were less active and irregular, closing easy at ¼@¾c decline; October 29¾c; November —c; December 30¾c; January —c; May 33¾c. Oats—spot dull and easier; options steady but dul; October 23¼c; November —c; December 23½c; spot—No. 2 23¼@23¾c; No 2 white 25½c; mixed Western 21@25. Lard quiet and steady; Western steam $4 60; city $4 35@4 40; October $4 55, nominal; refined lard quiet; Continent $5 00; South America $5 35; compound $4 62½@4 87½. Pork steady; new mess $8 50@9 25. Butter was firm and in fair demand; State dairy 11@18c; do. creamery 12½@20c; Western dairy 8@13; Elgins 20c. Eggs—fancy scarce, firm; State and Pennsylvania 18½@20c; ice house 14½@16; Western fresh 16¼@19c; do. per case $3 00@4 50; limed 15c. Cotton seed oil was quiet; crude 23½@24c; yellow prime 27c. Rice firm and unchanged. Molasses firm and unchanged. Peanuts steady; fancy handpicked 3¾@4. Coffee firm at 10 to 25 points down; November $9 70; December $9 55@9 60; March $9 55@ 60. May $9 60@9 65 spot Rio dull and easy; No. 7, $10 75. Sugar—raw quiet and firm; fair refining 2¾c; centrifugals, 96 test, 3 @3 1-16; refined firm, quiet and unchanged.

CHICAGO, October 22.—Cash quotations: Flour—the market was weak; hard wheat spring patents $4 00@4 50 to wood, soft wheat pat

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The Morning Star.

A VENETIAN MOONRISE.

No lingering line of light
Streaks the dull west with fire.
The myriad lips of night
Are vocal with desire.
And, lo, the radiant moon
Flowers from the black lagoon.

The Adriatic's bride,
Child of the shifting sea,
Lifts from the circling tide
Her olden majesty.
The moon's transmuting ray
Has glorified decay.

After the chiming keys
Of bells are skyward rolled,
While, petrellike, we poise
On ripples of pale gold.
An apotheosis
Of all youth's dreams is this.

As notes of music blent
In mellow harmonies fall
On listening ears intent,
So tower and dome and wall
Form to our wondering sight
A harmony of night.

—Clinton Scollard.

MY FIRST VOYAGE.

I sailed from the East India docks on Sept. 1, 1857, in the full rigged ship Duncan Dunbar, 1,874 tons, for Sydney. This vessel was named after her owner, who was so memorable a man in the history of British shipping that I cannot but pause a moment to refer to him.

To the eternal honor of Duncan Dunbar be it said that he began life as a rag and bottle merchant and worked with such energy and skill that he died possessed of more than two millions of English gold and the finest fleet of merchant ships at that time trading to all parts of the world from the river Thames. He was remarkable for his avarice, and many diverting stories of his cheeseparing struggles were current on board his own vessels.

Unlike the shipowner of today, who is with scarce an exception one of a company, Dunbar was the sole holder of his fleet. He died in 1861, and a portion of his great wealth went to Mr. Gellatly, a very kind, gentlemanly person, who had married the rich man's niece and for years managed his business down near the docks.

I went to sea as a midshipman in the merchant service. But this is a catch-penny term. Outside the royal navy there are no midshipmen. Consequently, as I did not ship as an apprentice, I must have signed articles as a boy simply.

I think the premium charged for the first voyage was 60 guineas. The outfit cost about 80. So that to send a lad on a voyage in those days was costlier to a parent than putting him to a first class school, where he would have got some education, perhaps learned good manners and probably acquired a taste for trade or one of the professions.

Certainly of the midshipman in the merchant service in my time not half remained at sea after the first voyage, and hardly a youth out of our numbers ever found a place upon the quarter deck, even in the laughably low capacity of fourth mate. Most of the captains and officers began as apprentices or rose from the forecastle.

I was 13 years and 7 months old when I went to sea and was undoubtedly too young for the vocation. I had no strength of body for the rough usage of the midshipman's berth. I was too tender to go aloft or to keep the deck through long, bitter nights.

I well remember the day and the hour when I stepped on board the Duncan Dunbar, in the East India docks. It was all wild confusion to my inexperienced gaze. Immediately after I had gained the ship she began to warp out of dock. Drunken seamen on the forecastle were shrieking and gesticulating to equally drunken people ashore. The waist and quarter deck were full of "lumpers," or "runners," elbowing crowds of weeping steerage passengers, shabbily dressed and clutching screaming infants.

Eight or nine midshipmen were running about the poop. I could merely hold on and look on. The confusion was complicated by noise. Every one seemed to be shouting, and nothing was at peace on board that frigate built ship, freighted to her chain plate bolts for the other side of the world, except her blue peter, signal of departure, blowing serenely at her foreroyal masthead.

No work seemed expected of me. It was required, however, that I should not get in the way. As I succeeded in getting very much in the way I was purposely knocked about, and when at last I was bowled down the poop ladder by a handsome rush of brass bound "third voyagers" I was glad to take refuge, with black eyes and streaming nose, in the midshipmen's berth.

This was, in that ship, a narrow compartment in the steerage under the quarter deck. You reached it by a manhole called the booby hatch, down which sank a perpendicular ladder. All was gloom and misery and evil smells when I went below for the first time, and for long afterward did this state of wretchedness last.

The emigrants were of the poorest and shabbiest. They were lodged in this part of the vessel, and they quarreled all the day, and their babies cried all night.

No one can imagine in this age of the steamship the sufferings which the emigrants underwent in the times of the sailing ship. They cooked their own food, and I have seen a crowd fighting like drunken seamen at the galley door for a place for their saucepans or kettles.

Not that the emigrant of today is a particularly well fed, well berthed man, but he is transported quickly. If his sufferings are keen, they are soon over. In my time they were uncommonly sharp, and they lasted four or five months.

The midshipman's berth was fitted with 12 bunks in double tiers. A narrow slip of table ran down the center. The edge of this table was like a saw from the action of the knives of the "young gentlemen," who used it for cutting up plug tobacco. Every bunk was to be filled this first voyage of mine, so that we were 12 midshipmen, worth some £700 for the voyage to the owner, irrespective of the value of our labor.

Moreover, each lad subscribed 10 guineas for what was termed mess money. So here was another £120 odd pounds to add to the cost of the hire of a dirty little sea parlor in the bowels of a ship stuffed with cargo, bulkheaded off in that part of her of which the emigrants made a Whitechapel alley.

A boy is young at 13½, and I felt myself to be a very little fellow indeed when I stood in the door of that midshipmen's berth, peering into the gloom with eyes brilliant with fear and astonishment. Was this to be my home until I returned to England? Was yonder rude shelf to replace the white, soft bed I had been used to? It was the middle of the day. Yet but for the flame of a sputtering lamp, dangling like a coffeepot from the center of the upper deck, it would have been difficult to see. In fact, this compartment was lighted by three scuttles, or portholes, only, round bulls-eyes of immensely thick glass, which were sunk low to the sea surface by the weight of the cargo, so that when our cabin was on the lee side these windows were always under water.

This is not an inviting picture I am drawing. It is the truth nevertheless. The apprentice nowadays goes to sea at much less cost and is far better used than was the heavily charged midshipman of my day. "Everything good comes when it's too late," murmurs poor, heartbroken little Jane Eyre when she rejects the coveted willow pattern plate. I have often wished that much of what is good on board ship nowadays had been invented in the rough fifties.

I should have been glad, for example, to be shipmates with double topsail yards. I hear of apprentices fed from the captain's table. I hear of apprentices instructed in navigation by the master and mates of the ship. Had it depended upon the captains I served under I never should have lifted a sextant to my eye.

I did not choose my bunk. It had been chosen for me. It was the most uncomfortable bunk in the berth. It was consistent with sea tradition, therefore, that the youngest and weakest should occupy it. On entering to look for it I found it an athwartships upper bunk. The lower bunk was to be occupied by a lad a little older than I, just a little stronger, and, like myself, a first voyager.

I knew my bed place by this token—to the bundle of bedding was attached a label bearing my name, "William Clark Russell, Midshipman, Ship Duncan Dunbar, E. I. D." But where was my chest—the chest that contained my clothes?

There were no chests in this berth, no place for such things—scarcely room, indeed, for a man's leg between the rows of bunks and the edge of the table. As I was going out a very tall, slim midshipman came in. His badge was dim, his buttons greenish. I, on the contrary, was most unhappily resplendent—a brand new sailor—and this old stager knew me at sight.

"What are you cruising about down here after?" said he.

"They gave me a black eye up stairs," said I.

"Up stairs, up stairs!" he roared. "There's no up stairs at sea, you guffy. Didn't you know that afore you shipped?"

"Didn't I know what?" said I innocently, for I did not understand him.

"Come here," said he. I approached him. He drew me close and plucked three hairs from my head. The pain was not very sharp, but this did not render the action the less brutally mean and unnecessary.

"If you don't pay attention," said he, "to what's said to you, you'll be bald before we're out of soundings. What are you mousing about down here for?"

"I am looking for my sea chest, sir," I answered, beginning to think this tall midshipman a great and important person aboard the ship.

Grasping me by the collar of my jacket and the seat of my trousers he raised me high and strode with me, thus pillared, into the 'tween decks.

"What's your name?" said he.

"Russell," said I.

"What a horrible name!" he exclaimed. "My name is Goole. How much better Goole sounds than Russell." He continued to hold me aloft. "What are your initials?" he asked.

"W. C. R."

"There you W. C. R., then!" said he. And he dumped me down as though I had been a sailor's bundle upon one of ten or a dozen sea chests, moored in all sorts of places in the steerage.

A midshipman's chest! It was called in my time "a hurrah's nest" because everything was always on top and nothing at hand. When I lift the lid of that chest in memory, I am visited by a faint, close smell of marine soap. I still possess the Bible I took with me, and the volume, like my memory, is haunted with that dim smell of marine soap in bars, by the impulse and influence of which I am able to see the ship, the gloomy 'tween decks, the midshipmen's berth, the patched figures of the emigrants as vividly as though I was aboard that vanished craft again.

I lift the lid of my sea chest, and what do I find? Some dozens of colored shirts, all so ungovernably stiff that I feel as unhappy as a turtle till they have been soaked; a great quantity of drill trousers, hard as the shirts, which had they been distended as the windsail is by the breeze, would have stood on end without a wearer.

In that chest were brass bound jackets and waistcoats, and black silk handkerchiefs for the making of streaming sailors' knots for the neck. In short, I was more ornamentally than usefully equipped, and before we were abreast of the Cape of Good Hope I should have been glad to exchange my finery for warm, homely pilot cloth and the plain underwear of the forecastle.

Mr. Goole, who looked as long to my youthful gaze as the mizzen royal yard, is the marine ogre of my first voyage, and in those distant memories he goes on pulling my hair, tweaking my nose, twisting my ears, punching my head, and in many other ways making himself a terror to me. Having dumped me down on my sea chest, he drove me up to the quarter deck, and thence on to the poop. What now followed I cannot clearly remember. I recollect being greatly scorned by the younger midshipmen, and pitied and protected by the third mate. But whether I pulled at a rope or did anything except get in the way of useful people while we were towing down to Gravesend I do not know.

It was a scene of enchantment, but not like something out of a fairy book, nor was it on the sweet side of magic. The liver colored river was crowded with craft of all sorts, stirring up chocolate colored froth as they drove salant through the Reaches. Our yards towered to the dingy heavens of the isle of Dogs. They were massive as a frigate's with the furled gear, and the ship looked like a frigate with her wide spread of shroud, large tops and short royal mastheads.

We anchored at Gravesend for the night, and all through that night I lay in my clothes in my bed and slept as deeply as if I had been drugged. I was awakened by a terrifying commotion.

"Tumble up—out you come! All hands unmoor ship!" The third mate stood in the door roaring out these unintelligible syllables. Then, observing that I did not make haste to jump up, the long legged ogre, Goole, dragged me out of my bed and ran me capless and bootless to the deck.

It was raining hard—a dark, sulky, sallow Thames morning. The crew were setting the topsails and bellowing like terrified men at the halyards. The captain, looking over the break of the poop, seeing me bareheaded and gaping up at the sails, told me to run below and put on my boots, cap and oilskins. I discovered my oilskins—after searching all about the steerage—under my mattress, but the leggings stuck to each other like cold wax, and I flung them down.

I put on the waterproof coat and returned on deck smelling like an oil can, but I do not think I did more, or was asked to do more than stare about me. The ship was again in tow of the tug. She carried single topsails, and those three lofty breasts rose white as snow to the crosstrees.

The rain sometimes drove with us, and sometimes it sheered aslant. It was a weeping picture. Unspeakably melancholy did the gray waters of the Thames bank sides and flats appear in that drenched and leaden atmosphere. By and by the third mate, stepping up to me, said kindly, "What's your name?"

"William Clark Russell, sir."

"I am not a court of justice," said he, laughing. "I don't administer oaths. Russell, my sonny, come along down to breakfast," and with that the kindly creature—he was a shaggy Orkney islander, a grand, active young seaman of 20—gripping me with the hand of a bear, conveyed me below into the midshipmen's berth.

He took the head of the table. The "young gentlemen" sat upon the edges of their bunks on either side. An empty pickle case was passed along, and, top ended, served me for a seat.

A boy waited upon us. They called him the midshipmen's servant. He had been in a man-of-war and was the smartest little sailor lad I can recollect. He danced the hornpipe charmingly, was liberally tattooed over the arms and chest, walked with the flowing and knowing roll of the brine seasoned tar, and was, I think, about 15 years old.

He put a great dish of huge brown steaks upon the table, and then brought pots of coffee, and loaves of bread, and salt butter, and we fell to amid a great noise of talk and clanking of cheap cutlery upon tin plates. I began to feel that I was seeing life and going to be a man.

But all at once, the river having by this time opened into wide water, with the weight of the swell of the still distant North sea beating like a delicate pulse in it, the ship slightly pitched. I dropped my knife and fork and turned pale.

She pitched again, and this time I pitched with her amid the mingled laughter and wrath of the rest of the young gentlemen at breakfast. Fortunately there were three other "first voyagers," all of whom were quickly "taken worse."—W. Clark Russell in Youth's Companion.

Mark Twain on Shipboard.

Mark Twain looks upon a journey across the ocean much as another man might look upon crossing the East river on a ferryboat. The humorist enjoys the ocean and the life of idleness which is enforces on one. He does not know what it is to be sick, and after his own fashion he has a good time. This "fashion" is more pleasing to himself than to any one who happens to share his stateroom, as did a friend of mine recently. This friend told me that he never crossed the ocean with a man who stuck closer to his stateroom.

When the genial Mark awakens, usually about 7 o'clock, he reaches out for his pipe and book and begins to smoke and read. He keeps this up until about 11 in the morning, when he calls for his morning coffee, which he takes while in his berth. Then he smokes and reads again until about 1, when he begins to write. At 5 he stops long enough to dress, take a turn around the deck, and goes to the saloon for his dinner. This is the only time of the day when the passengers see him. After dinner he takes a stroll on the deck, goes back to his stateroom, undresses and begins to read and smoke once more, which he keeps up steadily until far into the night.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Bad For the Teeth.

The practice of taking hot and ice cold drinks, especially when alternated at short intervals, as when hot coffee or tea and ice water are taken at meals, the careless use of the toothpick, which often irritates and wounds the gums and causes them to recede, the too free use of artificial sweets and the use of tobacco are all causes for the decay of the teeth. The most potent cause, however, says an authority, is the lack of natural exercise of chewing, which will bring to them a sufficient blood supply to keep them solid and sound.—New York Telegram.

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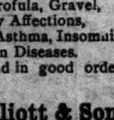

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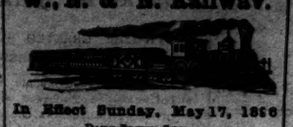

In Effect Sunday, May 17, 1896

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

NORTH BOUND		STATIONS.	SOUTH BOUND	
No 48	No 42		No 41	No 43
A M	P M	—WILMINGTON—	P M	P M
	2 00	Lv...Mulberry street...Ar	12 40	
7 00	2 10	Lv....Surry street....Ar	12 30	3 25
9 50		Ar...Jacksonville.....Lv		12 05
11 00	3 58	Lv.....do.....Ar	10 42	10 35
11 58	4 30	Lv...Maysville.....Lv	10 09	9 16
12 00	4 44	Lv...Pollocksville.....Lv	9 55	8 50
1 00	5 15	Ar...Newbern.....Lv	9 30	8 10
	P M		A M	

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SCHEDULE IN EFFECT Sept. 17, 1896.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTHBOUND.

DAILY No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.02 a m, Warsaw 11.14 a m, Goldsboro 12.05 p m, Wilson 12.52 p m, Rocky Mount 1.35 p m, Tarboro 2.40 p m, Weldon 3.32 p m, Petersburg 5.39 p m, Richmond 6.40 p m, Norfolk 6.05 p m, Washington 11.10 p m. Baltimore 12.53 a m, Philadelphia 3.45 a m, New York 6.53 a m, †Boston 3.30 p m.

DAILY 7.00 P M — No. 42—Passenger—Due Magnolia 6.50 p m, Warsaw 8.43 p m, Goldsboro 9.36 p m, Wilson 10.23 p m, †Tarboro 7.05 a m, Rocky Mount 11.05 p m, Weldon 1.01 a m, †Norfolk 10.40 a m, Petersburg 3.38 a m, Richmond 5.40 a m, Washington 7.00 a m, Baltimore 8.23 a m, Philadelphia 10.46 a m, New York 1.33 p m, Boston 6.30 p m.

SOUTHBOUND:

DAILY 3.30 P M — No. 43—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.45 p m, Chadbourn 5.19 p m, Marion 6.39 p m, Florence 7.10 p m, Sumter 8.53 p m, Columbia 10.15 p m, Denmark 6.20 a m, Augusta 8.00 a m, Macon 11.00 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 10.35 p m, Savannah 12.50 a m, Jacksonville 7.00 a m, St. Augustine 9.10 a m, Tampa 6.00 p m.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave *Boston 1.00 p m, New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 2.55 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.05 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.55 a m, Tarboro 12.12 p m, Rocky Mount 12.45 p m, Wilson 2.15 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, Warsaw 4.08 p m, Magnolia 4.18 p m.

DAILY 9.30 a m — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12.03 a m, New York 9.40 a m, Philadelphia 12.00 p m, Baltimore 2.25 p m, Washington 3.46 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.13 p m, †Norfolk 5.30 p m, Weldon 9.44 p m, †Tarboro 5.58 p m, Rocky Mount 6.45 p m, leave Wilson 8.15 a m, Goldsboro 7.03 a m, Warsaw 7.51 a m, Magnolia 8.00 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 12.25 a m — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 7.00 a m, Sanford 1.56 p m, Jacksonville 7.00 p m, Savannah 12.10 night, Charleston 4.55 a m, Columbia 5.45 a m, Atlanta 7.15 a m, Macon 9.00 a m, Augusta 2.25 p m, Denmark 4.17 p m, Sumter 7.10 a m,, Florence 8.50 a m, Marion 9.51 a m, Chadbourn 10.35 a m, Lake Waccamaw 11.16 a m.

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Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 p m, [illegible] Scotland Neck 8.05 p m, Greenville 6.47 p m, Kinston 7 45 p m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7 30 a m, Greenville 8.32 a m. Arriving Halifax at 11 00 a m, Weldon 11.20 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 5.00 a m and 2 00 p m, arrive Parmele 8.50 a m and 5 40 p m; returning leaves Parmele 9 50 a m and 6 20 p m, arrives Washington 11 35 a m and 7.10 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily at 5.30 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.35 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily at 7.40 a m., Arrive Tarboro 9.45 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 6 00 a m; arrive Smithfield, N. C., 7.3 i a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield, 7 50 a m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 9 15 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m. Spring Hope 5.20 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 6 a m, Nashville 6.35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 7 05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton daily except Sunday at 11.10 a m and 6.45 p m; returning leave Clinton at 5.00 p m, and 11.30 a m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9 05 a m, arrive Latta 9.24 a m, Dillon 9 35 a m, Rowland 9 53 a m, returning leaves Rowland 6 6 p m, arrives Dillon 6.35 p m, Latta 6.47 p m, Pee Dee 6.56 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 12.15 p m, leave Conway 2.30 p m, Chadbourn 5.30 p m, arrive Hub 6.30 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence 6 55 a m, 9 40 a m, and 7 45 p m, arrive Darlington 9 08 a m, 10 30 a m and 9 15 p m, leave Darlington 9 31 a m and 10 40 a m, arrive Cheraw 10 40 a m and 12 30 p m, leave Cheraw 12 45 p m, arrive Wadesboro 4 35 p m. Returning leaves Wadesboro 5 p m, arrive Cheraw 4 50 p m, leave Cheraw 4 50 p m and 5 0 p m, arrive Darlington 7 p m and 6 20 p m. Leave Darlington 7.30 p m, 6.20 and 7 40 a m, arrive Florence 8.45 p m, 7 p m and 8 15 a m. Daily except Sunday. Sunday trains leave Floyds 7.50 a m, Darlington 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8 10 a m. Returning leave Florence 9 a m, Darlington 9 20 a m, arrive Floyds 9 40 a m. Trains leave Gibson 6.15 a m, Bennettsville 6 41 a m, arrive Darlington 7.40 a m. Sumter 9 23 a m. Returning, leave Sumter 8 30 p m, Darlington 8 15 p m, arrive Bennettsville 9 05 p m, Gibson 9 35 p m.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6 00 p m, Manning 6.35 p m, arrive Lane's 7 12 p m. leave Lanes 8.04 a m, Manning 9.10 a m, arrive Sumter 9.50 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7.10 p m, arrive Georgetown 11 m, 8.30 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 3 p m, arrive Lanes 8.30 a m, 5.35 p m; Daily except Sunday.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 9.10 p m, 11.10 p m, arrive Selma 8.58 p m, Smithfield 9.38 p m, Dunn 8.50 p m, Fayetteville 4.36 p m. 1.07 a m. Rowland 6.06 p m, returning leave Rowland 9 52 a m, Fayetteville 11.10 a m, 6.40 p m, Dunn 11.49 a m, Smithfield 12.37 p m, Selma 12.54 p m, arrive Wilson 1.50 p m, 11.36 p m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Sumter 4 23 a m, Creson 5 3 a m, arrive Denmark 6 20 a m. Returning leave Denmark 4 17 p m, Creson 5 16 p m, Sumter 6 05 p m. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5 45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 9.15 a m. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 p m, arrives Creston 3 50 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Richpoville Branch trains leave Elliott 11.10 a m and 7.15 p m, arrive Lucknow 1 p m and 8.15 p m. Returning leave Lucknow 6 05 a m and 2 00 p m, arrive Elliott 7 35 a m and 3.30 p m.

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CONDENSED SCHEDULE.

IN EFFECT OCTOBER 18, 1896.

SOUTH BOUND DAILY	MAIN LINE.	NORTH BOUND DAILY
No. 1.		No. 2.
7 55 p m	Ar...Wilmington...Lv	7 35 a m
4 45 "	Lv....Fayetteville...Ar	10 43 a m
4 34 "	Ar...Fayetteville...Lv	11 05 "
4 26 "	Ar...Fayetteville Junc Lv	11 13 "
3 10 "	Lv....Sanford.....Lv	12 58 p m
12 47 "	Lv.....Climax.....Ar

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCT. 23, 1896

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

A Veritable Panic in Wheat—Millions of Bushels Sold at a Heavy Decline in Price—Corn, Oats and Pork Produce Lower.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, October 22.—There have been exciting days in the wheat market, but to-day's outranked anything of recent date and probably in many years. A veritable panic existed at the close and millions of bushels were poured on the market, prices cutting no figure in the matter. Tight money was the cry. The cash wheat situation has become the all-important factor. Money rates are higher and no one wishes to undertake the responsibility of carrying wheat under these conditions. The early market was weak, cables coming lower and foreigners selling. Closing English and continental quotations were all lower. The Cincinnati *Price Current* reported a favorable week for the crop. December wheat opened from 74¼ to 75¾c, sold between 74¼ and 70¼c, closing at 70¾c —¾c under yesterday. Cash wheat was weak and 4@7c lower.

Corn yielded to the weak wheat market. No startling incidents were noted. The trade was not large and the main object of operators was to dispose of what corn was accumulated, whilst the outlook was rosy. May corn opened at 27¼c., sold between 28 to 27¾c., closing at 27¼—¾c. under yesterday. Cash corn was steady early, but closed weak and ¼c. lower.

Oats—With wheat and corn declining little hope was entertained for oats. Holders made the best of a bad situation and sold out one very hard spot. May oats closed ½ to ⅝c. under yesterday. Cash oats were firm early, but closed ¼c. lower.

Provisions—The hog market was firm, which fact extended assistance to provisions. The close was easy, in sympathy with the break in wheat. January pork closed 1¾c. lower, January lard unchanged and January ribs 2½ to 5c. lower.

TO MEET WATSON.

Chairman Washburn and Reed of the Populist Committee Trying to Settle the War Against Sewall and Fusion.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Oct. 22.—Chairman Washburn, of the Populist National Committee, at Chicago headquarters, left Chicago to-night for Nashville, Tenn., where he will meet Candidate Watson and National Committeeman Reed, of Georgia, by appointment. His mission is to report the result of his conference with Chairman Jones, of the Democratic Committee, at which certain propositions from the Watson side were submitted as a basis of settling the war against Sewall and fusion, and changing the lukewarm support of Bryan on the part of Watson and his followers who are opposed to fusion. Mr. Washburn would not speak in detail of the report he had to present to Mr. Watson, but stated that his conference with Senator Jones had been satisfactory and the prospects were encouraging for complete harmony within the silver ranks next week.

Regarding the Watson letter of acceptance which has "turned out missing," Mr. Washburn said he had no reason to doubt either the word of Mr. Watson or of Senator Butler. He understood that Mr. Watson would make the letter of acceptance public in a few days if Senator Butler did not find the original copy to give to the press. Its non-receipt was a reflection on the Post-office Department.

JNO. G. CARLISLE.

Cleveland's Secretary of the Treasury Hissed and Cheered at Covington, Ky.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COVINGTON, KY., October 22.—Jno. G. Carlisle, Secretary of the Treasury, spoke this evening at Odd Fellows Hall in the interest of "sound money" Democracy. The hall is not a large one, but had it been ten times as large it would not have held those who came to hear the Secretary. Rumors had been circulated that an attempt would be made to break up the meeting. There was a disorderly element present in the rear of the hall, who hissed loudly as Mr. Carlisle appeared on the stage. The majority of the audience, however, were in sympathy with the speaker and drowned the hisses in vociferous cheering. The disturbers compelled the Secretary to stop several times during the early part of his speech but were finally quieted by Mayor Rhinock, and with the exception of a few isolated yells for Bryan, no further trouble occurred.

A counter demonstration was held by the silverites in the street in front of the building but it in no way interfered with the meeting inside the hall.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Torrential Rains in Upper Italy—Rise in the Bank of England's Discount Rate.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ROME, Oct. 22.—Torrential rains have fallen throughout upper Italy and all railway trains are delayed in consequence. High tides have prevailed in the Venice districts. The grand canal of Venice has overflowed into the Piazza street market, submerging it to the depth of two feet.

LONDON, Oct. 22—The *Globe*, in its financial article, says: "The rise in the Bank of England's discount rate is not likely to effect trade, though it will hurt imprudent speculators, for a rise in the bank rate can stop the American drain of gold the moment it approaches the danger point. The money market has still a superabundance of loanable capital, which is obtainable at cheap rates upon good security."

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, October 22.—Spirits turpentine quiet at 29½@29¾c. Rosin firm; strained common to good $1 90.

CHARLESTON, October 22.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 26c bid; sales — bales. Rosin firm; sales 500 barrels; prices: A, B $1 40, C, D $1 40½, E, F $1 45, G $1 50, H $1 55, I, K $1 60, M $1 75, N $3 00, W G $3 15, W W $3 30.

SAVANNAH, October 22.—Spirits turpentine opened firm at 28½c, with sales of 1,410 casks, and closed firm at 28⅝c, with sales of 133 casks; receipts 1,168 casks. Rosin opened firm and unchanged, with sales of 667 barrels; closed firm at 5c advance on F and G grades, with sales of 1,333 barrels further; receipts 4,737 barrels; closing quotations; A, B, C, D, E, $1 50, F $1 55, G H, I $1 60, K $1 65, M $1 85, N $3 10, W G $3 30, W W $3 55.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

Bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. In use for over thirty years.

BRYAN IN INDIANA.

EVERYWHERE GREETED BY LARGE CROWDS OF VADERS.

Twenty-five Thousand People Assembled at Lafayette—Ten Thousand at Frankfort—Many Thousands at Other Places—Wildly Enthusiastic Audiences—At Terre Haute He Spoke to Crowds Estimated at 20,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ROCHESTER, IND., October 22.—In charge of Parks Martin, chairman of the Indiana Democratic State Committee, the Bryan special train left Fort Wayne at 7.20 o'clock for the second and last day's run through Hoosier land.

The first stop was at Decatur at 8.05, where Mr. Bryan spoke fifteen minutes to a large audience. The enthusiasm was very marked.

At Market, a small number heard him and at Huntington he addressed a gathering of two thousand for ten minutes. The thousand people at Laketon were mostly farmers. When Mr. Bryan said that foreigners would not direct our financial policy, they cheered.

PERU, IND., October 22.—A political barbecue was in progress at Rochester when Mr. Bryan reached that place. People had flocked in by the hundreds from the neighborhood round about and the Democratic candidate had an audience of between eight and ten thousand.

Hon. Ben. F. Shivley, Democratic candidate for Governor, had just concluded a speech as Mr. Bryan opened. The latter in the course of his remarks read from the platform adopted by the Indianapolis Republican Convention in 1890. Concerning it he said:

"The Republican platform which I have read in your hearing commended that silver bill as a long yet prudent step toward free coinage, and yet when we tell you that free coinage is a good thing our opponents tell us we are lunatics and cranks and idiots. (Laughter.) If you would six years ago brag about a long step toward free coinage, why don't you brag when we want to go the whole distance at once." (Great cheering.)

TERRE HAUTE, IND., October 22.—"The only barbecue town on earth," was the principal inscription on the posters announcing the Bryan meeting at Peru, and a big political barbecue was in progress when the Democratic candidate, escorted by a long procession, reached the grounds. A long list of free silver orators had been engaged for the occasion, including Senator Teller, Senator David Turpie and ex-Congressman Lafe Pence of Colorado, and these made addresses after Mr. Bryan had spoken and continued his journey toward Terre Haute. Between eight and ten thousand people were in attendance and the great cheering began as Mr. and Mrs. Bryan appeared on the platform. There had been defection in the Democratic ranks at Peru and Mr. Bryan's remarks were directed mainly to those who had decided to leave the party. To them he said in part:

"When you leave the Democratic party in this campaign I want you to leave knowing what it means. Do not think that you can leave us this year, in the greatest fight that Democracy has had for a half century—do not think that in the presence of the most dangerous enemy you can desert and then come back next year and take position of command. You cannot do it, my friends. (Cheers.) The man who leaves the Democratic party in its great fight this year to restore the Government to those old foundations laid by Jefferson and Jackson need not expect to come back until he has fully atoned for the sin that he commits this year. (Cheers.) The Bible tells us that when the prodigal son got tired feeding the hogs and came home, the father met him with open arms and killed the fatted calf for him. Well, my friends, I want you to understand that the prodigal son who leaves the Democratic household this year and goes off to feed the hogs (laughter), when he comes back he has got to come with the understanding that he must saw wood for a long while before he gets to the table." (Laughter.)

Gold badges were likewise few at Delphi, where Mr. Bryan spoke briefly to between five and six thousand people.

An extremely large crowd, numbering in the neighborhood of ten thousand, was addressed briefly by Mr. Bryan at Frankfort, but it was not to be considered in point of size beside the tremendous audience that had gathered at Lafayette. It was, in fact, three separate gatherings, all in the court house square and Mr. Bryan made three speeches from the same platform, one from each side. At least 25,000 in the aggregate of the assemblage.

At Linden Mr. Bryan spoke to a small gathering.

Crawfordsville came next and here the nominee encountered one of the most wildly enthusiastic audiences of the day, numbering about 8,000. The speech of Mr. Bryan there was devoted in part to answering the charge made by Gen. Lew Wallace, a resident of the town, that he was an Anarchist.

Lagods turned out about 1,200 cheerers and Rockadale another small crowd. The assemblage at Greencastle stretched away off into the darkness and could not be estimated, but it was very enthusiastic.

It was reserved for Brazil, the well known mining centre, to exceed in demonstrative appreciation of the Democratic candidate any small city at which he spoke during the day. It was half past seven when Mr. Bryan's train reached that place. All along the streets, to the park, where the speaking occurred he was wildly cheered. A thousand miners were in the escort procession. The nearby neighborhood had contributed to the immense throng that gathered to hear him and it is estimated that nearly 25,000 people composed the concourse. Mr. Bryan brought out no new points in his speech but everything he said was vigorously applauded. At 8.15 the Bryan special pulled out for Terre Haute, where it arrived thirty minutes later.

The Bryan day demonstration here concluded to-night with two speeches by the silver champion. Silver clubs and war veterans escorted him from the railroad depot to the court house. The streets were crowded with people all along the route. At the court house Mr. Bryan addressed 20,000 people and then proceeded to the Terra Haute House, where he spoke to 8,000 more. At the second meeting Mr. L. P. Benedict, private secretary to Eugene Debs, presented the candidate a silver blotter in behalf of the progressive organized working men of Terra Haute. A letter from Senator Voorhees, expressing regret at his inability to preside there and endorsing Mr. Bryan's candidacy, was read.

NATIONAL FLOWER CONGRESS

In Session at Asheville—Only Seven States Represented.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., October 22.—The National Flower Congress was to-day welcomed by J. D. Murphy, on behalf of Gov. Carr, and Mayor Cocke, on behalf of the city. Responses were made by W. W. Goddin, of Philadelphia, and Miss Dora Williams, of Boston. A platform was adopted at the afternoon session, and the members were given a reception at the home of Mrs. Theo. F. Davidson. The body will to-morrow ballot on a flower for a national emblem. Only seven States were represented in the Congress to-day.

The Bank of England rate of discount was advanced yesterday from 3 per cent. to 4 per cent.

CUBAN FILIBUSTERS.

THE CAPTURE OF THE TUGS DAUNTLESS AND MABEY.

Great Indignation at Jacksonville at the High-Handed Proceedings of Capt. Miller, of the U. S. Cruiser Raleigh.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, October 22.—A telegram from Capt. Merrill Miller, of the cruiser Raleigh, received at the Navy Department this morning, announced that he had relieved the Newark of filibuster patrol duty at Jacksonville, Fla., and that vessel had sailed for Hampton Roads. The Raleigh at once put to sea for a cruise down the Florida coast, to terminate at Key West next week. Capt. Merrill Miller does not mention the Three Friends or the Dauntless.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., October 22.—No official report has been received by Collector of Customs C. R. Bisbee of the firing on and capture of the alleged Cuban filibustering tugs Dauntless and R. L. Mabey off Jupiter Inlet yesterday morning by the United States cruiser, Raleigh.

The revenue cutter Boutwell left Jacksonville for the St. Johns bar this morning to take charge of the Dauntless and escort her to the quarantine station at Fernandina, where she will be fumigated and afterwards brought to this port and delivered to the United States authorities.

The tug R. L. Mabey, which was also captured, did not reach the bar last night, as she is much slower than the Dauntless and the Raleigh. The Mabey arrived, however, early to-day in charge of a prize crew from the Raleigh, and will be brought to Jacksonville and delivered to the United States authorities.

The cruiser Raleigh left for the South this morning. It is said she is going to Turtle harbor to discover, if possible, the island on which it is said the Cubans have stored quantities of arms and ammunition.

The firing on and seizure of the Dauntless and Mabey has caused indignation here and is regarded as high-handed on the part of Capt. Miller, of the Raleigh. Neither the Dauntless nor the Mabey had arms on board. The Dauntless had only her regular crew and the Mabey had a cargo of coal. The coal was possibly intended for the Dauntless, but she had a right to take fuel on board. It is not believed that the Government can do anything with either vessel, and their seizure is regarded as simply another case of catering to Spain on the part of the administration at Washington.

Col. Elmio Nunez (who has managed many filibustering expeditions) and thirty Cubans returned to this city from New Smyrna to-day. It was off New Smyrna that the Raleigh fired on and captured the Dauntless and Mabey.

The disastrous ending of the postponed expedition to aid the Cuban insurgents before it had really gotten under way was the subject of discussion to-night and threats of vengeance against the traitor who had informed the officials of the plans were heard in several instances. The Government officers in this city were fully informed of every detail and even knew where the arms and ammunition were shipped and when the Cuban leaders and the men to make up the expedition left here. The Mabey's connection with the expedition was known, and it was deemed time to act. Accordingly a dispatch was sent to the commander of the Newark by an official having the authority to direct the movement of the cruiser.

According to the information furnished by the spy or traitor the Dauntless was to have taken on two cargoes of coal and then the arms and ammunition. This was to have been done during Tuesday night, and she should have been away from New Smyrna before daylight Wednesday morning. Why no attempt was made to detain the first cargo of coal until sunrise Wednesday morning is not known, but the delay proved to be for the best, as no arms were found on either the Mabey or Dauntless.

The Spanish spies, who spent several days down the coast recently, have departed, disgusted. One remarked that he never saw a place where people knew so little. The owners of the steamers have been advised that they have good grounds for bringing suit against the officers, who seized their property without warrant. Action may be brought against the commander of the cruiser Raleigh in the U. S. court.

WATSON IN ALABAMA

Defends His Position in Refusing to Come Down in Favor of Sewall.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BIRMINGHAM, October 22.—A special from Gadsden, Ala., to the *State-Herald* says: "Tom Watson spoke here to-day to about one thousand people. He was driven around during the day by Mayor Mitchell and tendered the keys of the city. He spoke for more than two hours in the open air. He defended his position in refusing to come down in favor of Mr. Sewall. He said that the Democrats were responsible for the situation here in Alabama and in Georgia. Overtures had been made by the Populists and they had been turned down with scorn and contempt. Mr. G. B. Dean, Populist State chairman, had made a proposition to Gen. Shelley to take five electors and give the Democrats six, but the proposition had never been considered in any of the Democratic conferences. They said if Bryan was defeated it would be laid at his door. He asserted that the Democrats themselves were responsible. He was not opposed to fusion where it would result in insuring defeat of McKinley electors. Therefore, if the Democrats were in earnest for Bryan and silver they should give and take with the Populists, who were willing to meet them more than half way. If Bryan was defeated the fault would lie with Democratic leaders. They knew they could not succeed without votes of two million Populist and they should have been willing to divide electors. If the Democrats thought they could pull him down they were badly mistaken; he would carry his party to glorious victory or honorable defeat. No man should say that he owned Tom Watson; no man could dictate to him; no man could control his opinion. He was in the fight to stay. Mr. Watson left on the 1.30 train for Nashville.

GOLD IN DEMAND.

Silver Easier and Quoted at Lower Prices.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, October 22.—Gold is in demand and bullion dealers quote rates as follows: Spot delivery ¼ per cent., to arrive ⅛ and calls 1¼ per cent. Of the $1 810,000 gold which arrived from Europe this morning, $1,500 000 has been deposited in the sub-Treasury. It is understood that the Treasury will gain $600,000 by the operation. Bullion in the open market in London has declined ¼d. to 77s. 11¼d.

Silver at the Stock Exchange was easier, declining to 65⅝ on sales of 9,000 ounces. Commercial bar fell to 65⅜ and Mexican dollars to 50¼@53.

Treasury balances: Coin, $125,879,763; currency, $35,976,974.

That Joyful Feeling

With the exhilarating sense of renewed health and strength and internal cleanliness, which follows the use of Syrup of Figs, is unknown to the few who have not progressed beyond the old-time medicines and the cheap substitutes sometimes offered but never accepted by the well-informed.

NORTHERN MISCEGENATIONISTS.

Fighting the State Law of Florida Prohibiting White and Negro Children Attending the Same Schools.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., October 22.—The law passed by the last Legislature, making it criminal to teach negroes and whites together, popularly known as the "Anti-Miscegenation Law," has been held to be unconstitutional by Judge Rhydon M. Call, of this judicial district. The test was made at Green Cove Springs in the case of the State of Florida vs. B. D. Rowley, teacher in the school of the American Missionary Society at Orange Park, where it was alleged that negroes and whites were taught by the same teacher, in the same class and at the same time. It was held by the Judge that the title of the act was not broad enough to cover the contents of the bill. The title of the act is as follows:

"An act to prohibit white and negro youths from being taught in the same school."

The act says that whites and negroes shall not be taught in the same building, in the same class, or at the same time by the same teacher. It punishes whoever teaches in or patronizes such a school by a fine not exceeding $500 nor less than $150, or imprisonment less than six months.

The ruling was made upon the motion of Bisbee & Rinehart, attorneys for the defence, to quash the indictment. The case, therefore, did not come before a jury.

State's Attorney Hartridge says that the defect in the title of the bill may easily be remedied by the next Legislature.

The passage of the law caused great indignation on the part of the Northern missionary societies, which have schools in Florida, and they announced their intention of fighting it in the United States courts. Superintendent of Education Sheats, who secured the passage of the law, was bitterly fought because of his course by a few people in Florida, but he was overwhelmingly re-elected Superintendent at the recent election.

HAVANA ADVICES.

The Prisoners Captured on the Schooner Competitor to Be Tried for Piracy and Rebellion by a Court Martial—Gen. Weyler Issues Another Decree.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, October 20.—[via KEY WEST, FLA., October 22]—On the 17th instant Alfreda Laborde and Orna Melton, of the schooner Competitor, were taken to the Quarto de Banderas, in Fort Cabanas, and there depositions taken before the judge instructor, who informed them that they were to be tried for piracy and rebellion by a court martial. They had received no previous notification, and were given no opportunity to communicate with Consul General Lee. The indictments and method of procedure were identical with that of the former trial. Laborde and Melton both entered a protest against the proceedings. It is not believed in this city that Gen. Lee had any notification of the trial, and that it is entirely illegal.

It is not known whether Leavitt and Barnett will be tried at the same time or not. On the 19th Laborde, Melton and Leavitt were again taken before the judicial instructor and again entered their protest, claiming their right to communicate with Consul Lee and that a trial held in the Cabanas would be illegal, for the reason that no representative of the consul could be present, and also that a trial by court-martial was not in accordance with treaties existing between the United States and Spain. No communication has been received by the prisoners from Gen. Lee since the trial began. The merits of their protests will be passed upon before the real trial takes place on the 19th.

The two English subjects, Gildea and Barnett, made depositions, and also Dr. Elias Bedia and Teodora Masa. The trial will probably occupy about six weeks.

HAVANA, October 22.—Captain General Weyler has issued a decree, ordering the inhabitants of the country outside the fortifications of the towns in the Province of Pinar del Rio to concentrate within the limits of the fortifications within eight days. Transportation of goods to or from the country towns, by land or sea, without permission, is prohibited. At the expiration of the eight days, all persons found outside the limits will be considered rebels and tried as such.

A REPUBLICAN GAME

Which Populist Chairman Butler Says Is to be Carried Out in the Middle Western States.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, October 22.—Senator Marion Butler, of North Carolina, chairman of the Populist Committee, is said to be about to issue a circular addressing the supporters of Mr. Bryan to keep "every eye open" and to "place cool game men on guard" to watch and expose a game which he says the Republicans are contemplating in the Middle Western States and which he describes as follows:

"The plan as now revealed is for so much money to be put into the hands of township and ward managers and so much to be given for a special Republican gain. It has been found impossible to buy enough individual votes to carry the election, and the plan forecasted is to be the one. Instead of the voter, the poll itself is to be tampered with. Our information is that this plan has already begun in Ohio."

Chairman Butler has not yet found Mr. Watson's letter of acceptance.

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

New York's Sun's Review of the Cotton Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, October 22.—The *Sun* says: Spot cotton here was unchanged. The exports were 22,868 bales. The Bombay receipts for the week were 5,000 bales, against 9,000 last year; shipments none, against 4,000 to the Continent last year. Liverpool was unchanged on the spot. Futures there declined a half to two points, closing barely steady. The speculation to-day was almost lifeless, with the tendency of prices downward. The trading, what there was of it, was in the main of a local character. Tired longs sold out, and New Orleans and Liverpool also sent a few selling orders. Liverpool was lower. Spot at the South was easy and less active. New Orleans declined, and in the absence of buyers prices here slowly receded, closing at about the lowest figures of the day. The receipts at the ports and interior towns were heavy, but the worst feature of the market is the dullness of the speculation. Landau, of Liverpool, estimates the crop at 8,300,000 to 8,400,000 bales, but this estimate had little, if any, effect on prices here. He estimates the Texas crop at 2,900,000 bales, the Egyptian crop at 5,500,000 cantares, and the yield in India at 400,000 less than last year.

BLOOD IS LIFE and upon the purity and vitality of the blood depends the health of the whole system. Experience proves Hood's Sarsaparilla to be the best blood purifier.

HOOD'S PILLS act easily and promptly on the liver and bowels. Cure sick headache. †

REMOVED FROM OFFICE

Because He Is a Free Silver Democratic Candidate.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 22.—A dispatch from Phœnix, Arizona, states that Marcus A. Smith, assistant attorney for Arizona, was yesterday removed from office by request of Attorney General Harmon. Mr. Smith is the free silver Democratic candidate for Congressional delegate and has scored the administration in his campaign speeches. The platform adopted by the convention which nominated Smith also denounces President Cleveland.

WARM WIRELETS.

The battleship Massachusetts went to sea yesterday for final trial trip of forty-eight hours.

Argument in the South Carolina Dispensary law cases was concluded in the Supreme Court yesterday. The Court now has the case.

A Chinaman, passenger on steamer Yucatan from Havana, Cuba, died yesterday of yellow fever at the quarantine hospital, New York.

The amount of gold received, ordered and now on the way from Europe and Australia since August 28th last, is about $71,000,000.

Prof. W. L. McGee, of Clemson College, S. C., was fatally injured while showing the working of a corn shredding machine to the senior class, and died yesterday.

Thos. A. Evans, trading as the Thos. H. Evans Publishing Company, dealer in campaign novelties, New York, has failed. Assets and liabilities are reported to be about $25,000.

Miss Virginia Duane Rouse, only daughter of Charles Broadway Rouse, was quietly married to David Lee, of Harvard county, Md., Sunday last. Mr. Lee is Mr. Rouse' private secretary.

Mark Hanna and his associates have decided that it would be bad policy to send ex-Congressman Mason to Illinois to follow close on Hon. W. J. Bryan's heels and have abandoned the scheme.

The Treasury gold reserve at the close of business yesterday stood at $121,047,568. The day's withdrawals at New York were $385,700. There were deposited $800,000 gold in exchange for currency.

A shipment of English sovereigns, value about $2,375,000, brought by the steamer Monawai, which arrived at San Francisco from Australia, is consigned to the Assistant United State Treasurer for storage.

The Court of Appeals of Kentucky postponed argument in the case of Alonzo Walling, who was convicted of the murder of Pearl Bryan, until November 6th, when the full bench will hear the case.

The case of Dugald Crawford, of St. Louis, charged with violating the corrupt practices act, by intimidating employes of his dry goods establishment in regard to their political preferences, has been continued until October 28.

ADVERTISING IN DULL TIMES.

Suggestions to the Retail Merchant Which May Be of Value to Him.

How to advertise successfully in dull times for a general retail store is a difficult subject to decide. It is at the same time a subject upon which there is a great diversity of opinion.

By dull times we mean the seasons of the year when trade is not usually so brisk as it is at other times. At these times some merchants largely increase their advertising expenditures. Others continue about the same as in busy times. Business discretion should, of course, be used by all, but as a rule we believe those who do the most advertising at these times have the best of reasons to support their side than the others.

If the purpose is to draw trade, then why not advertise when you need trade the most? Of course this rule is subject to the surroundings and the circumstances. We realize that in dull times it is much harder to bring people to the store, but that is one reason why more advertising should be used, or better advertisements should be used, for it is not always necessary to extend one's space where the same results may be accomplished by using the same space in making the advertisement attractive.

If possible in dull seasons more inducements should be held out to the customer than in brisk seasons. More care should be used in selecting articles to be advertised and more thought should be given to advertisements to bring trade to your store, but, however you may view this subject, do not in any circumstances drop your advertising entirely.

Advertising to a large extent is cumulative in its benefits, for the value of present advertising depends largely upon what has been done before. If you discontinue advertising entirely you are leaving out some of the bricks in the wall which you are constructing and will lose a large portion of the benefits of accumulative advertisements when you begin again, there having been a disconnection in what you did before and that which you now intend to do.

The benefits to be derived from advertising are in the future as well as what you may get at the present. Advertising is something like making a snowball—the farther you go the bigger it grows. If, after you have rolled your snowball a little distance, you stop rolling it and begin another one, you are expending an extra labor instead of accumulating, while if you had kept on rolling the old ball it would soon grow to much larger proportions than any new one you could start.

It is poor policy ever to stop advertising altogether. In dull times, as we have said, if the amount expended must be decreased more care than ever should be used in the operation of the advertisements. When the fish is harder to catch, be more careful in selecting your bait.

The way to advertise is an important point to consider. In dull times make your offerings just as attractive as you know how and advertise seasonable goods such as will be of immediate use. It is hard enough to sell unseasonable goods when people buy freely, but it is much harder to push them in unfavorable times.—Dry Goods Chronicle.

Ascending Prices For Singers.

The gradual rise in the payments made to singers has more than kept pace with the prices paid to composers. A look through the treasurer's accounts of the old Sacred Harmonic society would confirm this statement in a very certain and interesting way. For example, at the Christmas performance of "The Messiah" in December, 1853, Miss Birch was paid 8 guineas; Mme. Sainton-Dolby, 8 guineas; Mr. and Mrs. Lockey together, 16 guineas, and Mr. Weiss, the composer of "The Village Blacksmith," 6 guineas. At the performance of "Israel In Egypt" in the same year Mr. Sims Reeves took 16 guineas; Carl Formes, 10 guineas, and Mme. Sainton-Dolby, 8 guineas. Nine years afterward, in December, 1862, for singing "The Messiah," Mme. Rudersdorff was paid 10 guineas; Mr. Henry Haigh, 8 guineas, while Mme. Sainton-Dolby's terms had risen to 10 guineas.

It need hardly be said that concert vocalists now in full demand would laugh at such fees. Some years ago, when Mr. Toole was returning thanks to an audience in the Theatre Royal, Edinburgh, he referred to the circumstance that he and Sims Reeves and Henry Irving had all as an early stage of their careers sought professional honors in the Scottish capital. The salaries of the three friends, according to Mr. Toole, were then: The singer, 30s.; the comedian, 40s.; the tragedian, 50s. each per week. "Of course," added Mr. Toole, "we get more now."—Chambers' Journal.

There is a third silent party to all our bargains. The nature and soul of things takes upon itself the guarantee of the fulfillment of every contract, so that honest service cannot come to loss.—Emerson.

A porter in Constantinople, with steady employment, can make 60 cents a day.

Syrup of Figs

Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

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I offer to Discount any Price Lists for Groceries sent out by any other merchant by giving 5 cents worth more on their dollar off. If you don't believe it call on C. D. Jacobs, 219½ North Front street. oct 6 tf

Miss Mamie Gibbons, late of American Art School, Baltimore, Md., is prepared to give lessons in all branches of Art, as well as Piano Lessons, at 309 Market street. sun wed sat oct 18 3t

The Dairy Restaurant No. 25 Market street is now open. Table first class. Open from 6 a. m. until 10 p. m. Give us a call. aug 15 tf

Hayden, F. H., has in stock buggies, road Carts and harness of all kinds. Repairing done by skilful workmen on short notice. Opposite new Court House. eM

Our $1.50 Ladies' Shoes,

in all styles, is in great demand, with many other styles and kinds. Boys, Youths, Girls and School Children generally may get suited here, and get FREE with each purchase a "Scholar's Companion," the contents of which is generally known.

Will say something about Men's Shoes later.

Respectfully,

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Full and complete stock of

HEAVY AND FANCY GROCERIES.

LOWEST CASH PRICES.

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aug 29 tf

Chickens,

Chickens, Chickens,

CHICKENS, CHICKENS, CHICKENS,

CHICKENS, CHICKENS,

Chickens, Chickens.

Lowest prices, best quality and fat.

S. W. SANDERS,
At "Unlucky Corner."

oct 14 tf

BUTTER AND FISH.

Twenty-five small tubs

GILT EDGE BUTTER

250 Barrels Mullets

and piles of other goods.

D. L. Gore.

oct 21 tf

AND THE DOCTOR SAID:

"Take it to Nutt's Drug Store."

He knew that here his prescription would receive the best attention.

He knew that only the freshest and purest drugs would be used.

He knows it because he has been sending his prescriptions here for years, and has never had occasion to find fault.

Prescription filling is serious work. NUTT'S Up-to-Date Drug Store.

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BUCK'S STOVES AND RANGES "THE PEACE MAKER"

WE HAVE A LINE OF THE ABOVE CELEBRATED STOVES.

Will guarantee them to be the finest goods on the market. Only p[ure] lain lined ovens made that will stand.

The Heating Stoves are just superb. All we ask is an examinat[ion] of the goods.

Wm. H. Springer & Co.,

SOLE AGENTS,

"PURCELL" BUILDING, WILMINGTON, N. C. oct tf

Hardware and Guns

EVERY DESCRIPTION OF

Kitchen & Household

Utensils, Galvanized Iron Coal Hods, "Trilby" Clothes Wringers, Etc.,

AT LOW DOWN PRICES.

Guns, Rifles, Revolvers.

Ammunition to fit anything that shoots.

All kinds of Hardware at prices that defy competition.

J. W. MURCHISON,

oct 20 tf Orton Building, Wilmington, N. C

C. W. Polvogt & Co.,

No. 9 North Front St.

Have now on sale the largest and most complete stock of

Dress Goods, Silks, Carpets,

Cloaks, Capes, Underwear and Corsets

ever shown in the city.

SOLE AGENTS FOR THE BUTTERICK PATTERNS AND N. B. CORSETS.

SAMPLES MAILED ON APPLICATION.

C. W. Polvogt & Co.

P. S.—Friday Our Bargain Day.

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CLEVELAND

The President of the greatest nation on earth to-day, is quietly sitting in his big arm Chair of State, enjoying his wealth and position, while there is raging even at his very door the greatest political war on record, and he is taking life quietly and easily; and this is the case with many of our well-to-do Dry Goods merchants. They have their stores in fine apple pie order with the brush of neatness on every shelf and counter. They are not realizing the fact that there are others in the Dry Goods line who are cutting the prices of Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes and Underwear. We are in hopes that they will not wake to realization until one day after the feast.

Wilmington's Big Racket Store is in the lead. We know now no middle ground. Our prices are very low and business with us extra good. Read and see what we are pushing this week.

Fine Gloria Silk Umbrellas, 26 inches, at 75c; 28 inches, 85c. Fine Congo Handles, with Silk tops, with tassels and steel rod frames, at $1.25 each. Men's Fine Rubber Macintosh Coats, with long Capes, at $3.98 up to 6.50 and 12.00 each. Ladies' Macintosh Coats, with fine Capes, all wool, at $3.25 and 2.75 each. Men's and Boys' Overcoats from $2.00 to 8.00 each. Men's, Women's and Children's Underwear. Ladies' and Children's Combination Suits at 25c up to 50c each. Children's Fine White Wool Leggings complete at 19c a pair, worth regular 50c. Ladies' Heavy Knit Wool Vests at 75c; Fine Heavy Ribbed from 50c to $1.00; Extra Heavy Cotton Ribbed at 25c. Men's Fine Camel Hair Underwear at 75c and $1.00. Men's Fine Heavy Fleeced Lined Cotton Shirts, weight 1 pound, at 25c each. Men's and Boys' Clothing all styles. If you need a nice Suit come and see ours. We can and will save you money.

MILLINERY—We are fighting and fighting hard to lead the State in Millinery. We have by far the largest stock, the best selection, and we trim all Hats free of cost to you if you buy the Hat and material from us. We sell Fine Wool Felts in new shapes, untrimmed at 25c each; trimmed at 50c, 75c and $1.00 each. Our fine Trimmed Hats, trimmed in nice Silk Ribbons and Tips, from $1.25 to 1.50 up to 3.00 and 4.00 each.

Come to see us and get our prices on all classes of Dress Goods. At 112 North Front street, opposite the Orton Hotel

Braddy & Gaylord, Prop.,

Of Wilmington's Big Racket Store.

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PETERSON & RULFS

BEG TO ANNOUNCE THAT THEIR STOCK OF

FALL AND WINTER SHOES

Is ready for inspection. Great care was taken in selecting our

SCHOOL SHOES,

and special attention will be given in fitting the little folks. Give us a trial and we will please you in style, quality and price.

PETERSON & RULFS,

sep 20 tf The Shoemen, 7 North Front Street.

Special Sale Week at REHDER'S,

Near Fourth St. Bridge

Greatest Bargains Ever Offered.

We are determined to make this the largest special sale week on record, and shall place on our counters Bargains which can never be duplicated. oct 18 tf

School Shoes.

We have been thinking about your Children's SHOES, School Shoes particularly. If you want a good serviceable Shoe for your son, one that will out-wear any Shoe you can get, try a pair of our Boys' Kangaroo Calf Lace Shoes with sole leather tips at $1.25 and $1.50. Try one pair and you'll buy no other.

Geo. R. French & Sons.

sep 8 tf

Combination Bicycle FOR SALE.

A Combination "Crusader" Bicycle, for either lady or gentleman. Cushion Tires. Brand new. Will be sold cheap. Call in person, or address M., at

ap 7 tf STAR OFFICE.